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MADE GREAT BY RELIGION

IS REAL FORCE IN BUSINESS LIFE SAYS REV. MAPEL.

TALKS AT M. E. SOUTH

"Jesus Christ Came Into World to Empower Men to Live Great Lives" Visiting Pastor Says.

"Religion makes men great. Out of ten successful business men nine will likely confess that religion is a real force in their lives."

These are the words of the Rev. Frank J. Mapel, pastor of the M. E. Church, South, of Cowdell, Mo., in his sermon at the M. E. Church, South, here last night. The Reverend Mapel, a former Maryville minister, who is visiting here, took for his text from First Corinthians, 15:58: "The work of the Lord."

The Rev. Mapel's sermon follows in part:

"These words, by reason of their connection with this great chapter on the Resurrection of the Dead, gather significance. The term 'work' stand for a notion at once fundamental, universal, dignified, necessary. God's motive in creation seems to have been that of making things useful."

"Cosmos is one great beehive of activity. The highest form of activity is that exerted by a life. God designs that men should be useful as well as good, that they shall be saved to serve. The terms used in the New Testament to designate a disciple indicate this: for example, light, salt, a branch, witness, landmark, soldier, laborer. The Bible idea of piety is expressed in a life that is positive and aggressive. Religion in the heart is exemplified by a life of service. "Not he that sayeth the word; but he that doeth the will."

"A second implication the text. No man is capacitated to inaugurate such a life of useful activity. Man is not a moral 'self-starter.' God is the inspiration of our activity. For example, a steam engine of 200 horse-power capacity is motionless, a mass of inert matter, until live steam is let into its cylinder. Then it works. Man needs 'a power, not ourselves, that makes for righteousness.'"

"Had you never noted that everything, great, or powerful, or useful is some common thing multiplied by a force. An oak tree is the germ in the heart of an acorn multiplied by the forces of nature. An electrical conductor which permeates your breakfast draught, projects your voice across the continent, illuminates your home, energizes a motor, and does a myriad of marvelous things is no more than a common piece of copper wire multiplied by the force we call electricity."

"Finally, what is a 'saint'? A saint is a common man multiplied by spiritual power. It is Saul the persecutor, Matthew the grafter, Augustine the voluptuary, John Bunyan the drunken tinker imprisoned in Bedford jail, touched and transformed by the power of the Almighty. A saint is a man plus God."

"Religion makes men great. Out of ten successful business men nine will likely confess that religion is a real force in their lives. Religion does not add powers or capacity to the mental make-up of men, but it does furnish driving power. Helps to make the most of one's powers."

"Men and women need the touch of the divine finger upon brain and heart. That will set them right and start them doing right things. That will cause them to be good, do good, make good."

"Jesus Christ came into the world not to teach men to frame their lips to pronounce a shibboleth, or to broadcast a system of theology, but to empower men to live great lives."

J. B. Cummins Suffers Injury to Right Leg

J. B. Cummins of the Cummins-Blagg Furniture Company was injured Friday evening when he tripped and fell on the cement sidewalk at the home of Mrs. Anna Todd on West Third street. He was removed to St. Francis Hospital where an X-ray revealed that the ligaments of his right knee had been sprained. It was reported today that Mr. Cummins would be able to be at his place of business by tomorrow or Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Faye Corrough of Arkoe announced the birth of a baby girl, Shirley Ruth, on December 23.

Want Christmas Seal Sale Reports Soon

Amount Of Sales Should Be Reported To L. G. Somerville's Office By January 3.

All organizations and those in charge of schools that conducted a Christmas Seal sale are requested to make reports to the office of Leslie G. Somerville at the courthouse, who is chairman of Christmas Seal sale executive board, on or before January 3.

The executive board will then ascertain to whom the prizes are to be awarded and the per capita sale. The board is comprised of Mr. Somerville, Dr. C. P. Fryer, Mrs. Burt Cooper, secretary; H. T. Phillips, Burt Cooper, John Rush of Barnard and Dr. C. W. Kirk of Hopkins.

HOLIDAY MAIL INCREASE BIG

RECEIPTS \$500 OVER SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

HANDLE 67,000 PIECES

Christmas Business Steady But No Congestion, Due To Earlier Mailing This Year.

The Christmas business at the Maryville postoffice was much bigger than ever before, according to J. F. Hall, postmaster. According to preliminary figures, the increase will amount to about \$500 over a year ago.

The cancelling machine showed 67,000 pieces of first class cancelled from Dec. 15 to 25, as compared to 58,000 a year ago for the same period.

The Christmas business was steady. There were no big congestion or rush. Mr. Hall said, due to early mailing.

All mail received Christmas morning was out of the post office by noon, he said.

Funeral Rites Held for Mrs. G. Barrett

Death Caused by Appendicitis, Occurs Saturday Morning at Burlington Junction.

Funeral services for Mrs. Gladys Barrett, 32 years old, who died Saturday morning at the home of James Weable of Burlington Junction, were held this afternoon at the Christian church at that place. Services were conducted by the Rev. A. L. Ragsdale and burial made in Ohio cemetery.

Mrs. Barrett, who lived eight miles southwest of Quitman, was born near Arkoe. Her death was caused by appendicitis. Mrs. Barrett had not been in good health for some time. Death occurred at the home of James Weable. Mrs. Weable was her husband's mother.

She is survived by a son, Burton, twin daughters, Lola and Viola, her husband; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hudgens of St. Joseph and one brother, W. P. Hudgens of St. Joseph. Four sisters also survive, Mrs. Iona Fortune, Mrs. Joseph Clark, Atchison, Kan., Mrs. Ralph Whipple, Bridgeport, Neb., and Mrs. Ben Green of Lyman, Neb.

Steel Bridge Located Near Dawson Today

W. W. Randall, bridge contractor, and E. T. Bailey, presiding judge of the county court, located a bridge one and a half mile west of Dawson near the Guy Humphrey farm this afternoon. The structure will be of steel, 45 feet long.

Mr. Randall said that one of his bridge crews commenced work today on a bridge across a ditch a short distance northwest of Conception Junction. The bridge, a steel structure, was moved from across the Platte river near Conception.

Replevin and Note Suits Filed Friday

W. E. Freytag has brought suit in circuit court against J. Ralph Pope for the collection of \$435.09 on a note that was filed Friday. He also seeks to collect \$37.80 for insurance premiums which he claims are due him.

Sylvia M. Boatright asks recovery of personal property or the value of it which is placed at \$150 from W. N. Boatright, by a replevin suit filed in court Friday. The plaintiff also asks for \$50 damages and costs.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jensen, near Bedon, announce the birth of a son, Donald D. born Dec. 21.

STORE ROBBED AT QUITMAN

COMMUNITY STORE ENTERED FOR SECOND TIME THIS YEAR.

HUNT FARM IS LOOTED

Robbers Also Enter Burlington Railway Station at Quitman Saturday.

Officers over Northwest Missouri today were on the watch for two men who robbed the Community Store and Burlington railroad station at Quitman about 11 o'clock Saturday night.

The robbers who secured a loot of approximately \$100 in clothing and an undetermined amount of cash in pennies and a small cash loot at the Burlington station, were thought to have boarded the Wabash freight going east out of Burlington Junction early Saturday morning but up to noon today the men had not been apprehended.

Earl McDonald, who with his brother, Joe, and Fred Wright, are owners of the Community Store, said today that one of the robbers is known.

The robbers forced entrance to the store by breaking out a window in a door in the rear of the store after they had obtained a hammer at the railway station. Included in the loot from the store were three leather vests and some coats, Earl McDonald said.

The Community Store has been the mark of robbers twice this year. On May 16 it was robbed, according to Mr. McDonald.

The farm house of the Misses Hunt, who live two and a half miles west of the Bovard corner, was entered by robbers Saturday night and a small amount of small change taken.

No trace of the robbers has been found.

Roof Catches on Fire at James F. Cook Home

A roof fire, which started from the flu, was discovered at 12:30 p. m. yesterday at the home of James F. Cook, 614 South Buchanan street.

Damage was estimated from \$40 to \$50 by Burt Rowley fire chief.

Mrs. Hal Townsend Dies at El Reno, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Townsend Went to Kansas City This Afternoon to Meet Funeral Party.

Mrs. Hal Townsend of El Reno, Okla., a sister-in-law of E. L. Townsend of Maryville, died at 6 o'clock Saturday evening as the result of two strokes of paralysis. Mr. Townsend and children will arrive in Kansas City tomorrow morning with the body which will be cremated. Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Townsend will go to Kansas City this afternoon to meet the funeral party. They will return home tomorrow night.

Frank W. Buhler Here for a Short Visit

Frank W. Buhler, of Philadelphia, managing director of the Stanley Co., arrived today on a visit to his mother, Mrs. Mary A. Buhler, and his brother, Charles Buhler, and his sisters, Mrs. Maggie Lahr and Mrs. A. J. Blue. Mr. Buhler is here only on a short visit and will probably leave either late tonight or in the morning.

His personal friend, Charles H. Grakelow, grand exalted ruler of the Elks, who recently visited Maryville, is to be the guests of the St. Joseph Elks tomorrow.

Japanese Prince to Land in N. Y.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Prince Chichibu, brother new Japanese emperor will land in New York tomorrow en route to Tokyo, and will be met by assistant secretary of state, J. Butler Wright, for escort in private car to Washington.

Because his royal highness is mourning for his father there will be no municipal welcome in New York and along the route.

Misses Mutz Visit Here.

Misses Jessie and Lou Mutz, instructors in the Los Angeles schools, arrived in Maryville Christmas eve to spend a week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mutz.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Rhoades spent the week-end with the latter's brother, Frank Reddick, and family, at Bethany.

Isaac Middleton Dies at His Home Sunday

Funeral Services to Be Held Tuesday and Will Be Conducted by the Rev. Douglas.

Isaac Middleton, a resident of Maryville for many years, died at 6:30 o'clock Sunday morning at his home at 1302 East First street. Mr. Middleton had been in ill health for the past two years.

Funeral services will be held at the home Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock and will be conducted by the Rev. Lane Douglas of this city. Burial will be in Oak Hill cemetery.

Mr. Middleton was 67 years old. He was born in Washington, Ia. He came to Maryville at an early age and had lived here most of his life, being in the dray business. His wife died July 13, 1919. He is survived by two daughters and two sons, Jesse McMullen of Hopkins, Ruby Middleton, Maryville, Claude Middleton, Chicago, and Clyde Middleton, Maryville.

DOCKERY DIES AT GALLATIN

FORMER GOVERNOR TO BE BURIED AT CHILLICOTHE.

A SINCERE DEMOCRAT

Was Third Assistant Postmaster General, Under President Wilson—Born in Daviess County.

Gallatin, Mo., Dec. 27.—Alexander M. Dockery, 82 years old, former governor of Missouri, former representative and third assistant postmaster general under President Wilson, died here yesterday.

He was stricken a week ago with an intestinal malady which had afflicted him at intervals six years.

Mr. Dockery had made his home while in Gallatin with Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Gregory since the death of his wife.

Judge, Joshua W. Alexander, secretary of commerce under President Wilson and an old friend of Governor Dockery, was at the home.

The funeral arrangements for which are in the hands of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Missouri, will be in Gallatin, and burial will be in Chillicothe, where Mr. Dockery and members of the Dockery family are buried.

A Sincere Democrat.

Ex-governor of Missouri, former third assistant postmaster general. Ex-representative, humorist, good roads enthusiast and sincere Democrat. That was Alexander M. Dockery, who is dead at his home in Gallatin, Mo.

An officeholder virtually all of his life, his last official post was third assistant postmaster general. He was appointed March 10, 1913, by President Woodrow Wilson.

He was elected governor of Missouri in 1901. His administration to 1905 was a stormy one. There were accusations of graft and corruption among subordinate officials. Governor Dockery cocked his black felt hat a trifle more over his right eye, bit his cigar and rode serenely through the storm of comment.

Mr. Dockery was born on a farm in Daviess County, Mo., about six miles from Gallatin, February 11, 1845. He was the son of the Rev. W. E. Dockery, a pioneer Methodist preacher who traveled the circuits of North Missouri. He was educated in the Mason academy and was graduated from St. Louis Medical college in 1863.

Practiced Medicine.

After attending medical lectures in the East he began the practice of his profession in Chillicothe. His inclination towards politics soon manifested itself. He was elected a member of the Chillicothe board of education in 1870. He was appointed a member of the board of curators of the University of Missouri in 1872 and served to 1882.

He organized the Farmers' Exchange Bank in Gallatin in 1874 and served as a city councilman. He was mayor of that town two terms. He was elected a representative to congress in 1882 and was re-elected every two years until 1898 when he retired voluntarily to run for governor.

Very little of his substantial fortune was left him after the failure of the Farmers' Exchange bank, it is understood. Before the crash came he had spent a great deal of time planning the disposition of his estate after his death.

Central college at Fayette, in which he always had a keen interest, and in which he had established a general scholarship prize in 1876, was to have

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WHEAT CROP UNDER NORMAL

CONDITION 58 PER CENT OF DECEMBER NORMAL.

142,000 ACRES SEEDED

Increase Is Shown In Western Counties—Experience Difficult In Seeding.

Now, that the 1926 crop season has closed, the farmers of Nodaway county estimate the winter wheat seeding of 1925 at 17,300 acres and the seeding for this fall for the 1927 harvest at 121,300 acres, with a condition of 58 percent of December normal. Past records of this county show the 5-year average December condition to be 86 percent, from which the 5-year average yield has been 15.6 bushels. The average price of corn in Nodaway county on December 1st was 60 cents per bushel; wheat \$1.20; oats, 38 cents; and hay, \$14 per ton.

Missouri farmers have seeded for the 1927 wheat crop 1,619,000 acres, compared to 1,472,000 last year, an increase of 10 percent, according to E. A. Logan, United States Bureau of Agricultural Economics, and Jewell Mayes, Missouri State Board of Agriculture. The condition is 72 percent against 72 percent last December, compared to the five-year average December condition of 86 percent. From which the 5-year average yield has been 12.6 bushels.

Missouri farmers experienced great difficulty in seeding wheat this past fall, because of excessive rainfall, beginning the latter part of August and continuing until the middle of November. Farmers expected in August to sow probably 50 or 60 percent more wheat than sown in 1925. Fewer acres were generally sown in counties north of the Missouri but the increases in most of those in the south half.

142,000 Acres in N. W. Mo.

The fifteen Northwest Missouri counties seeded only 142,000 acres against 185,000 and all counties show a decreased acreage except Buchanan and Harrison counties. Condition is 66 percent ranging from 44 percent in Geary to 87 percent in Daviess.

In twelve north central counties, only 98,000 acres were sown against 116,000 last year, with fewer acres sown in all except Carroll County. Wheat shows wide local variation, ranging from 47 percent in Livingston to 91 percent in Sullivan, averaging 71 percent for the section.

The ten northeast counties do not show the same reduction as other northern divisions, having seeded 83,000 against 87,000 acres last year, with larger acreages in Clark, Marion and Pike counties, and reductions indicated in others. Conditions range from 49 percent in Ralls to 77 percent in Audrain, average 65 percent.

Increase in West Counties.

In the nine west Missouri counties the acreage is 181,000 against 155,000 last year, with increases in all counties excepting Jackson and Johnson. Condition averages 80 percent, ranging from 72 percent in St. Clair to 86 percent in Cass.

In the twenty counties of central Missouri the acreage is 278,000 against 260,000 last year, with increases in practically all counties south of the river except Benton, Camden, Cooper, Pettis and Montauque. Condition for this division is 69 percent, ranging from 44 percent in Cole to 90 percent in Miller and Pulaski.

East Reduces Acreage.

In the thirteen counties of the east division the acreage has been reduced to 314,000 compared to 333,000 last year. All counties show reduced acreage except Franklin, Perry, St. Charles, St. Francois, Ste. Genevieve and Washington, with heavy decreased acreage in Lincoln County. Condition ranges from 59 percent in Lincoln and St. Louis to 87 percent in Perry; average is 73 percent.

The ten southwest counties except McDonald show increased acreage of 349,000 compared to 253,000 last year and generally higher conditions than throughout northern Missouri, ranging from 55 percent in Dade to 95 percent in Barry. The average is 78 percent.

The south central Ozark division seeded 62,000 against 41,900 last year, practically all counties showing increases, with condition averaging 87 percent, ranging from 68 percent in Taney to 93 percent in Dent and Howell.

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Farmer Murders His Family; Confesses

Texico, N. Mex., Dec. 27.—"I did not kill them all with axes. I killed my wife with an ax as she lay in bed. I shot the two older boys with a shot gun. I used an ax on some others but choked the little ones as their time came and threw them into a corner."

That was the statement made today by George Hassel, 45, Texas rancher, in relating the murder of wife and eight children which has roused this community to a high state of indignation.

He murdered his family three weeks ago and buried them in improvised graves on his farm. Hassel stabbed himself Friday at his farm when deputy sheriffs were uncovering the bodies on his farm.

ACCUSED SON; FATHER KILLS

SEDALIA ATTORNEY SHOT IN BANK ROBBERY SEQUEL.

SURRENDERS HIMSELF

"He Ruined My Boy," Father Tells Police About Accused of Slain Son.

Sedalia, Dec. 27.—Claude Wilkerson, 38, prominent attorney, was shot and killed on a downtown street here today by R. E. Bardwell, 60. After the shooting, Bardwell walked to the county jail and surrendered.

Wilkerson was recently indicted by the Cooper County grand jury in connection with the robbery of a bank at Mount Pleasant, Mo. Bardwell charged that Wilkerson had "engineered" the robbery which resulted in the shooting and death of Bardwell's son, Albert, and Dewey Palmer by Deputy Sheriff of Cooper County a few months ago. Palmer and young Bardwell were wanted in connection with the robbery. Cecil Jenkins, deputy sheriff, waited along a country road for the two suspects and when they refused to stop he opened fire. Both were killed.

Bardwell shot Wilkerson from the sidewalk after he drove up in his car. "He ruined my boy," he told officers when he surrendered at the jail. "He is responsible for my boy's death, so I shot him."

Bardwell asserted that Wilkerson gave evidence against Bardwell's son and young Palmer to save himself. James Lunsford and John Wolford are still held in connection with the bank hold-up of last July. Wolford is said to have confessed, implicating young Bardwell and Palmer, as well as Wilkerson.

Italians Visit U. S. Illegally Remain

Rome, Dec. 27.—Wholesale evasion of the United States immigration laws, whereby hundreds of Italians illegally entered the United States, was revealed by the police today.

The police announced the arrest of eleven persons, who were alleged to have assisted many hundred Italians to enter the United States, ostensibly for the purpose of attending the Eucharistic Congress in Chicago last June. These visitors, the police say, were really potential immigrants, who never planned to return to Italy.

The agency operated under the name of the Old Italian Colony corporation, police said.

Through this agency, the police said, arrangements were made to secure and visas passports which permitted the holders to enter the United States and upon landing they were alleged by the police to have scattered throughout the country.

Floods Feared in Cumberland Valley

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 27.—With the forecast of additional rain indicated the turbulent Cumberland river—which now is within three feet highest stage, fears of flood damage increases in this district.

Two thousand persons are homeless here more than 200 homes flooded and many business houses have been forced to remove their wares into relief buildings.

In the district outside of Nashville more than one thousand residences are reported under water and several hundred persons were forced to leave their homes.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Cushman spent the week-end with relatives in Bethany.

MORE MARINES AT NICARAGUA

U. S. LANDING CAUSES LIBERALS TO DISPERSE.

NAME NEUTRAL ZONE

Admiral Latimer Takes Charge of East Coast—Mexicans Fight With Liberals?

Managua, Nicaragua, Dec. 27.—The U. S. S. Quail arrived at Corinto with American marines aboard.

Liberal troops and officials of Puer Cabanas had just been dispersed at the landing of sailors and the American troops took charge of the town, which was the revolutionary capital of the Liberal president, Juan Sacha. The civil authorities are being permitted to function as usual.

The entire east coast, it was reported today, has been declared a neutral zone by Admiral Julian Latimer, the United States naval commander in these waters. It was reported here that the gun runners, Temporal, manned by Mexicans was expected within the next day or so as Cosguina with a large supply of ammunition and two airplanes for the Liberals. General Bartholomew was sent to Cosguina to intercept the Liberals when they sought to land.

Severe fighting has taken place at Las Porlas during which heavy losses were reported on both sides. It was reported without confirmation that thirty Mexicans with light artillery were fighting on the side of the Liberals there. President Diaz, conservative, who is recognized by the United States government, announced that to avert further bloodshed at Las Porlas, he would withdraw his conservative army, to Rama.

Washington, Dec. 27.—While in some Capital Hill quarters today there was considerable concern that the Nicaraguan situation might more deeply involve the United States, word came to the state department that the Diaz government forces had suffered a defeat at Pearl Lagoon. The forces of the regime recognized by the United States, left their dead upon the field and retreated to El Muffi, Rear Admiral Latimer, commander of the American forces in Nicaragua reported.

Secretary of state Kellogg, declared that the United States had no intentions of sending an American army to Nicaragua for intervention in the Central American republic civil war.

Wets Planning Big Drive in Congress

Washington, Dec. 27.—The wets are planning their biggest congressional demonstration since the start of prohibition as soon as Congress reconvenes.

A mass meeting of wet senators to which some eighteen senators are expected to be invited, is being arranged simultaneously with a display of orchestral fireworks on the floor of the House. The names of eighteen senators expected to be invited has not been announced and will not be until it is certain that they will accept. Several mild wets have not joined the outspoken leaders in their activities.

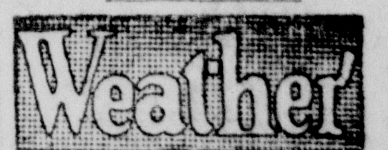
England and Germany Spend for Christmas

London, Dec. 27.—Britain and Germany today finished in the lead among old world Christmas spenders.

Despite a record breaking strike in England and the fact that Germany, still pays reparations tribute to the Allies, these two had plenty of money for a regular, old fashioned Yuletide season of spending. France and Spain, where Christmas is not much of an event anyway, are feeling the pinch of tight money.

Christmas spending in Germany, home of Kris Kringle, was accepted as having proved that prosperity gradually was returning to that country. It was conservatively estimated that expenditures were sixty percent more than in last season.

British business men said that this Christmas was distinguished by more spending than any previous one.



Increasing cloudiness and somewhat warmer today; probably local rain today or Tuesday.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER
 NEA Service Writer

Washington—Senator Royal S. Copeland of New York wears a pink carnation in the lapel of his coat every day in the year.

Copeland's pink is traditional and all sorts of theories have been advanced to explain how it became a fixture. One woman, who didn't know Copeland was a physician, told him she thought it was ever so romantic that, after winning his first law case with such a flower in his button hole, he had worn one ever since as a matter of superstition.

Your correspondent, however, is able to state the truth. The first gift he ever presented to the young woman who later became Mrs. Copeland was a large bunch of red carnations. Since their marriage Mrs. Copeland has given her husband a red carnation every day. So sentiment plays a large part in the story of the famous Copeland carnation, even though superstition does not.

The late Chief Justice White, similarly, wore white carnations placed in his button hole by Mrs. White.

Senator Robert M. La Follette, jr., who is just back in the Senate following his recovery from serious illness, found a large pile of mail awaiting him. His secretaries have been doing everything possible to reduce this pile, but many of the letters which have come since the present session began will require his personal attention.

The fame of the father of "Young Bob," whose term the son was elected to finish, is responsible for many of the letters, which sometimes come at the rate of 200 or 300 a day. The correspondents realize that the elder La Follette has passed on, but most of them seem to feel that they are writing to the same man insofar as his principles and interests are concerned.

If Senator-elect Frank L. Smith of Illinois is barred from the Senate, one of the saddest will be former Mayor "Big Bill" Thompson of Chicago.

"Big Bill" and his big hat were here recently in connection with the Illinois river project. It was he who nominated Smith and he admits it. Didn't Smith pull a boner in writing that \$125,000 from Sam Insull? Well, the people elected him, didn't they? answers "Big Bill."

Iowan Is Victim of "Enemy" Illusion

F. M. Felt, Found In Strawstack Near Lodi, La., Is Returned To Missouri Relatives.

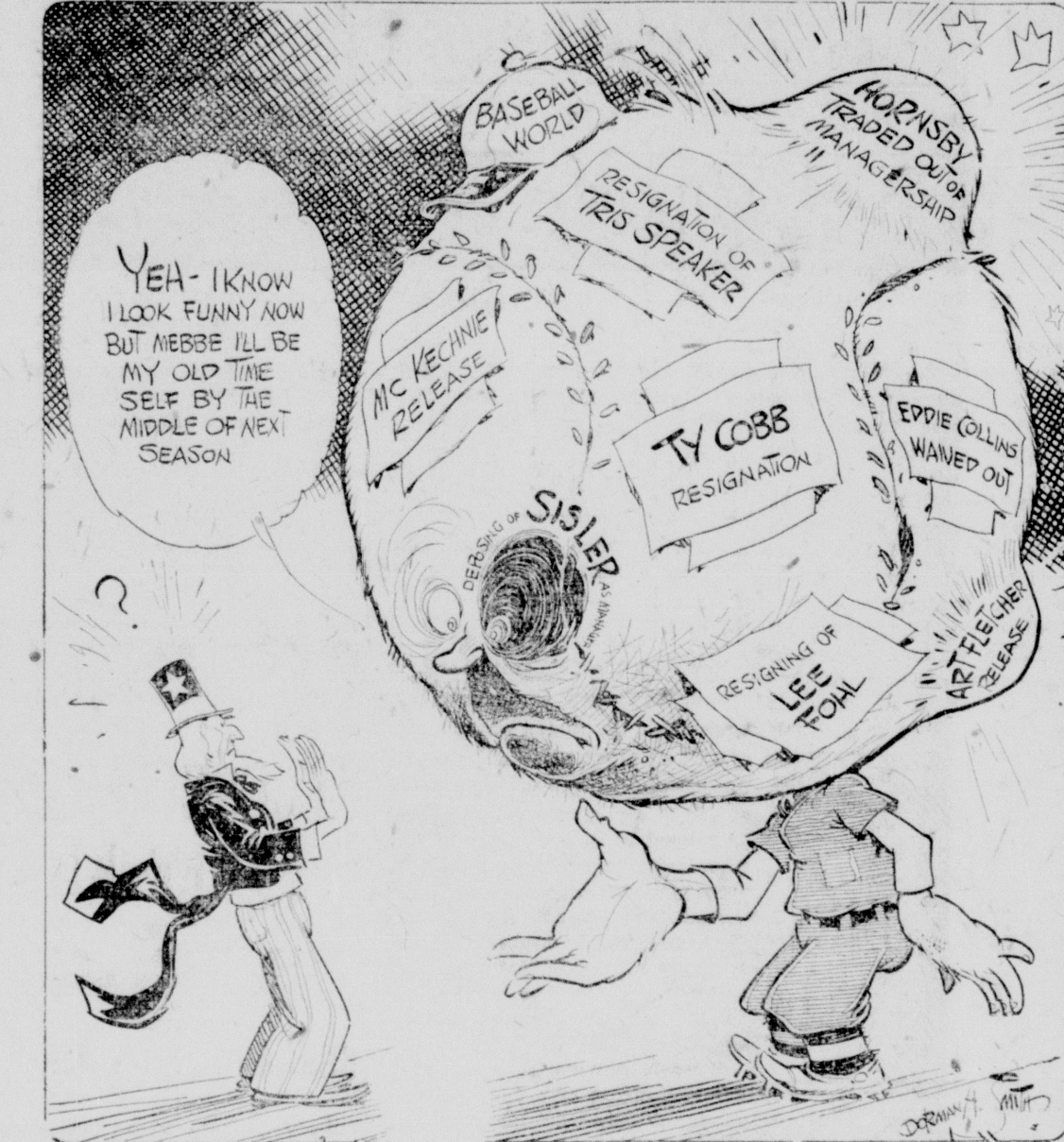
Lodi, La., Dec. 27.—F. M. Felt, suffering from the illusion that he is being pursued by enemies, returned to his home in Sedalia, Mo., Friday, accompanied by his brother, Capt. W. C. Felt, of Sweet Springs, Mo.

Felt, who has lived here for fifteen years, was a typewriter repair man. Worried over financial matters, he believed he had unbalanced his mind. Early this week he asked aid of his friends to protect him from his enemies.

Wednesday evening he became frantic after his frightened landlady had asked him to vacate his room, without a coat he ran into the country.

After an all-night search, a posse found him huddled in a straw stack on the farm of Bryan Miller, near here. He was taken into custody and his brother notified.

HIS SLIGHTLY ALTERED COMPLEXION



Willie Willis

By ROBERT QUILLEN



"Mamma was gone today and I practiced my will power by not eating any spinach."

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BARBS

Now we know where Santa Claus spends his summers. The old fellow can be seen after the games, frolicking around under the grandstands in the big league parks.

Christmas cards revealed one thing, anyway. A lot of people have very peculiar middle names.

An optimist is cynical of woe.
 January 1 is coming, gentlemen. Let nothing you dismay!

Miss Armina Wilson and Miss Gayle McClanahan of Clarinda were visitors in Maryville over the week-end.

Fulton Daily and Weekly Are Sold

The Fulton Daily Sun Buys the Fulton Daily Gazette—Leaves One Paper in Fulton.

Fulton, Mo., Dec. 27.—The Daily Sun and Evening Gazette is announcing in their issue this afternoon that Ovid Bell, publisher of the Evening Gazette and Fulton Gazette, his weekly, has sold his newspaper business to Jas. W. George P. and V. A. Johnston and the business will be transferred on January 1. This sale will combine the Daily papers and the combination paper will be known as the Fulton Sun-Gazette.

The Weekly Gazette will be combined with the Missouri Telegraph which was established in 1839. The Fulton Gazette was established in 1877. The Fulton Daily Sun is in its thirty-ninth year and the Evening Gazette is eleven years old.

The Fulton Daily Sun and the Missouri Telegraph have been owned and published by J. W. and Geo. P. Johnston since September 26, 1909, and with the purchase of The Gazette they take in with them another son of J. W. Johnston, V. A. Johnston, who has been connected with the office as Linotype operator and advertising manager.

Ovid Bell is widely known among the newspaper fraternity of the state, as he has been an editor for 26 years and is a past president of the Missouri Press Association. While retiring as a newspaper publisher on December 31, he will continue in the printing business and will devote his attention to

the large book and job printing establishment which he conducts.

J. W. Johnston has been connected with the newspaper business as printer and publisher in the state for 55 years and has owned papers at Plattsburg, Mo., and Monroe City, Mo., before moving to Fulton. The two sons connected with him have been almost raised in a printing office.

The consolidation will have but one daily and one weekly in Fulton, the county seat of Callaway County.

Dockery Dies at Gallatin

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benefited by his generosity. Likewise, the Y. M. C. A. in Gallatin, his church, and Dockery park were to have been remembered. These bequests all had to be abandoned after the loss of his estate.

Postmaster In Politics.

In politics, Mr. Dockery was considered a post master, and his advice was sought by state leaders for years. One instance of his political sagacity is recalled by his associates. In 1894 the Democrats lost Missouri and before the election the handwriting was on the wall. Champ Clark, Bland, and other Democrats in congress went down to defeat, but Dockery foreseeing the danger, had sent 300 personal telegrams to acquaintances in his district, soliciting their votes. He was returned to congress by less than 300 votes.

In 1896, and again twenty years later, in 1906, Dockery was chairman of the Democratic state convention in Missouri.

Dockery lived to see the passing of the elder generation of Missouri statesmen. Throughout his sixteen years in congress, Cockrell and Vest represented Missouri in the United States senate. Only one former governor is living who served the state before he was governor, David R. Francis.

Author Of Postal Audit.

Notwithstanding his great interest in public affairs, Mr. Dockery gave much attention to fraternal lodges, and he held the highest offices in the state in both Free Masonry and Odd Fellowship. He was grand master of the Masons of Missouri in 1881-82 and grand district governor of Missouri, 1901-05. He was grand master of the Odd Fellows of Missouri in 1910-11. He was a Methodist.

Despite his years, Mr. Dockery retained a keen interest in state and national affairs. Often he and his fellow townsman, Joshua Alexander, secretary of commerce in President Wilson's cabinet, would sit and chat of the days when each had served in congress and the latter days when they were together in government work in Washington.

As head of the Dockery commission in congress Mr. Dockery uncovered the fact that the old system of accounting was haphazard and that large sums of money were left to commission heads unaccounted for, sometimes for years. Under a system of accounting he introduced following his investigations an official audit of accounts and claims was made in the administration department before they were sent to the treasury department for auditing. Business house rules were applied and a complete double check system was used.

They were the parents of eight children, all of whom died at an early age. Mrs. Dockery was Mary Elizabeth Bird before her marriage. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Greenup Bird, pioneer Missourians, and was born in Liberty, Mo., March 15, 1849. She removed with her parents to Chillicothe in 1865, where she was married to Mr. Dockery in 1869. She was a lineal descendant of Commodore Perry. She was buried in the cemetery at Chillicothe near her children.

Governor Dockery was well known in Maryville. As Grand Master of the Masonic lodge in Missouri he had charge of the ceremonies of the laying of the corner stone of the present court house building in 1881. On Oct. 12, 1907, Mr. Dockery was in charge of the ceremonies of the laying of corner stone of the Northwest Missouri State Teachers College, taking the place of J. H. Short, who was then grand master. He always took an interest in the College here.

During political campaigns, Governor Dockery made frequent speeches here. His last political speech here was two years ago during the campaign.

Several from Maryville will attend the funeral services.

"Turken" Is a "Bare-neck" Says Expert

Springfield, Mo., Dec. 27.—C. T. Patterson, Springfield poultryman and former superintendent of the Missouri State Poultry Experiment Station at Mountain Grove, takes exception to recent statements that the fowl known as the turken is a cross between the turkey and the chicken. The cross according to Patterson, is in the name, but not in the birds.

The turken, Patterson says, is in reality a variety of chicken comparatively little known in the United States. The correct name of the variety is the Madagascar barnneck. The fowl bears a resemblance both to the turkey and the chicken. The most striking likeness is in the neck, which is red and bare like that of a turkey. The knots that are characteristic of the turkey's neck, however, are lacking.

Wheat Crop Under Normal

(Continued from page 1). Increase in Cotton.

Southeast cotton counties show decided increase in acreage from 43,000 in 1925 to 112,000 in 1926. Wheat has been seeded on cotton land to heavy increases in Mississippi, New Madrid, Scott and Stoddard counties. The average condition is 89 percent, ranging from 80 percent in New Madrid to 95 percent in several of the counties.

Wheat seeding continued late because of rains and heavy soil conditions, with some wheat planted up to the 15th of November. Farmers estimate that 50 percent of the crop was late sown. Most of the wheat looks fair considering the late seeding, although some seedlings were not up at the opening of winter. Fear of chinch bugs in the northwest sections prevented some planting.

Mrs. J. E. Burns of Blytheville, Mo., will come tonight to visit her sisters, Mrs. T. B. Mumma and Mrs. Ed Dale.

Communication

WANTED: A COUNTY SYSTEM.

Editor Democrat-Forum:

The seven years since I became a land owner, Nodaway County has thrown away \$75,000 or more unnecessarily under the township system of tax collectors. Repeat the present tax laws.

We read Representative Wm. Job's outline of the coming session of the Missouri Legislature, and probable matters and measures that will receive consideration at Jefferson City this winter.

It is a positive fact that each year in the State of Missouri more than \$250,000 in tax money assessed and paid by the taxpayers in the State is no better than thrown away under the present system of township collectors. Who would say that the \$10,000 or more paid these several township collectors, over and above the necessary amount needed to pay the county treasurer yearly for services and he to receive a liberal salary, say \$4,000 a year.

Page County, Iowa, just north and Taylor County, Iowa, both touching Nodaway, do not pay such unreasonable prices to get all taxes collected by their county treasurers. Page County has two offices, one at Clarinda, and one at Shenandoah, for convenience. They pay a total of \$4,500 while Taylor County has one county treasurer who does the entire tax collecting, including the auto state tax. The treasurer gets \$3,500. This includes a deputy salary. Again the modern method of tax collecting is more beneficial to the people who do the paying. Taxes become due at a certain month of the year. Provided one-half of the amount due from a given taxpayer is paid promptly at that time, and the personal tax entirely, the second half can stand for six months without penalty and be paid then. In plain words, what good in collecting the entire amount at first for the needs to conduct the running expenses of the county. It would only be deposited in some bank, perhaps drawing a small rate of interest. While many of the taxpayers would have to pay a much larger rate of interest to get the money to pay the full tax payment. A year back I wrote an article and it was published in the Democrat-Forum, urging the revision of this system of tax collecting. I stated the people were not owing any set of privileged individuals favors amounting to the \$10,000 or \$11,000 yearly. Also that these favored few could easily get employment at something that would produce wealth instead of sapping other peoples' funds who, actually produced wealth.

An Arid New Year Is Goal of Sleuths

"Dress Suit" Dry Agents Make Strenuous Efforts To Separate Broadway From Its New Year Cheer.

New York, Dec. 27.—A Federal dry agent finished their New Year "mopping up" of Broadway and rested from their labors today.

The net result was padlock orders and injunctions against some of the best-known drinking resorts in New York. But the night club crowd, emerging in the gray dawn today for breakfast, already were discussing matters more interesting than the raids.

"Same old bluff," was the general verdict. "They can't dry up Broadway."

Chester P. Mills, federal prohibition administrator, when the Broadway boast was called to his attention, was frank about it.

"No," he said, "you can't dry up Broadway that way. Until the people unite in showing respect for the Constitution, we can only hold down the flow. But we have succeeded in putting the fear of the law into the night clubs."

Mills admitted the latest campaign cost about \$8,000.

Four "Dress Suit" agents, who spent a good part of it in gay parties gathering evidence, are recuperating on a Connecticut health farm.

"They need it," Mills said. "Ninety-eight per cent of the stuff seized was cut or adulterated."

We have laid in a large stock of ammunition and are patiently awaiting the next man who says "It is cold enough for you?"

Just think of the last seven years

waste of funds, probably \$75,000. If that amount were in the hands of the county judges they could start building a new courthouse when frost was out of the ground, say May 1, 1927. No one really would feel sad, not even the dozens of township tax collectors. They would have found employment elsewhere if they had tried. Finally, of all the needed changes and improvements in the state of Missouri in the economy line, the tax waste is outstanding and first.

Yours for the good of all,
 FRANK GREELEY.

61,302 Women Work For U. S. Railroads

Washington, Dec. 27.—Engaged in almost every type of work done by men, 61,302 women are employed by trunk line railroads in the United States, according to figures of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Two women run engines while three are listed as blacksmith helpers. The largest number of women—51,127—are employed in clerical work.

There are 144 women laborers, and a total of 290 are engaged in shopwork, including such occupations as sheet-metal workers, boiler makers, machinists and electricians.

Red Cross Notes

American Red Cross chapters in Indiana are receiving contributions for the fund to provide relief for those who suffered in the recent explosion at the Francisco mine in Princeton.

The Francisco Mine disaster differs from other mine disasters in that 28 men were injured from burns and infections due to gas and smoke in the mine. All are now in hospitals. Eugene Foster, who had charge of relief work in the Sullivan, Ind., mine disaster, estimates that about \$60,000 will be required to rehabilitate the 60 families affected in the Princeton disasters.

Securities valued at \$1,470,000, part of the trust estate of the late James A. Serymsier, founder and former President of All America Cables, will be added to the endowment fund of the American Red Cross in 1927, in accordance with provisions of Mr. Serymsier's will. This legacy is the most noteworthy in the history of the organization.

Mr. Serymsier, who for many years had been a staunch friend and supporter of the Red Cross, died in April, 1918, leaving most of his estate in trust for his wife with the stipulation that, upon her death, one-half of this estate would go to the Red Cross and one-half to St. Luke's Hospital, New York. Mrs. Serymsier died last July and the estate is now being settled.

WARRANTY DEED.

A 40 acre tract of land four miles north of Clearmont was transferred from the possession of Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Schollan of Braddyville, Ia., to Charley N. Kellogg for \$1 consideration, by a warranty deed which was filed in the recorder's office Friday.

Horace S. Dowell and Sadie K. Dowell to T. A. Cummins for \$1 consideration lot two in Torrance addition to Maryville, located on Buchanan street between Thompson and Cooper streets.

The same property was transferred by another warranty deed by Mr. Cummins to Mrs. Dowell.

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IN SOCIETY

CLUB AND CHURCH CALENDAR

Tuesday
Mary Graham Chapter, Delphian Society, regular meeting at Farm Bureau office; program topic, "The Golden Age of Painting" and "Renaissance Architecture."

Wednesday
Penelope Club meets with Mrs. J. P. Price.

Bloomfield Needlework Club, postponed afternoon meeting at home of Mrs. Ira Thompson; roll call, New Year's resolutions; Christmas exchange.

Highland Club postponed meeting at home of Mrs. Ross Scott.

Independence Industrial Club meets with Mrs. Will Kellogg; Christmas program and exchange.

Ireland Industrial Club, all-day meeting at home of Mrs. John Griffey.

Social Hour Club Mrs. Leslie Hanna and Mrs. Edgar Houston hostesses.

Union Homemakers Club meets with Miss Mamie McCurry.

Thursday

Epworth Class of First Methodist Church, Christmas party at home of Mrs. E. M. Houchens, 8 p. m.; each member permitted to bring guest; husbands of members will also be entertained.

Skidmore Study Club meets with Miss Daisy Dawson.

Mozingo Valley H. K. G. Club, home of Mrs. Dale Wiley; roll call, New Year's resolutions.

Merry Mingles Club, Mrs. A. C. Kimmert and Miss Wilma Jackson hostesses.

Lasher Community Club, all-day meeting at home of Mrs. Jake Sauterlin; members requested to bring thimbles.

L. A. W. Club of Myrtle Tree neighborhood, afternoon meeting at home of Mrs. Will Bainum.

Friday

Penelope Club, watch party for members and families at home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. White.

Woman's Home Missionary Society of First Methodist Church meets with Mrs. F. A. McKee, 2:30 p. m.; assisting hostesses will be Mrs. C. A. McCoppin, Mrs. G. P. Wright, Mrs. L. E. Denn and Mrs. Guy Haller; Mrs. R. S. Brainerd program leader.

C. C. Club of Swallow district, oyster supper for members and families at Swallow school, 6:30 p. m.

Christmas Dinners.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Townsend were hosts at a 1:30 o'clock dinner Christmas day at Terrace Place, entertaining as their guests Mrs. Henry Bohm of Denver, Colo., Mrs. Lavencour Michau, Mr. and Mrs. Luther E. Forsyth, Miss Edwyna Forsyth, and Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Townsend and children; Bohm and Lillian.

Miss Mayme O'Grady and Mrs. Josephine O'Grady and son, Leo, of Conway, Ia., were the out-of-town guests at a 12 o'clock dinner given Christmas day by Mr. and Mrs. Dan O'Grady at their home, west of Maryville. Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fisher and children, Charlene and Robert Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Ray O'Grady, Miss Ella O'Grady and Will O'Grady.

Mrs. W. B. Price entertained with a dinner and Christmas tree celebration Christmas eve at their home on East Third street in honor of her small grandson, Billy Hull. The group included Mrs. C. M. Hull and son, Billy, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Null, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Price, Miss Mary Carpenter, Byron Price and the hostess.

The following group dined at the home of Mrs. Susan Shinabargar, three miles south of Maryville, on Christmas day: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shinabargar, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Pratt and daughter, Margaret, Cleo and Leroy Shinabargar, Jesse and Miller Shinabargar and the hostess.

Mrs. J. H. Eckles and daughter, Miss Ora Eckles, had as their Christmas dinner guests Mrs. R. F. Hamblin, Ray Eckles, Luther Eckles, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lippman and daughters, Louise, Clara, Vivian and Elizabeth, and Miss Roma McGinnis.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Edwin Wells on Normal avenue was the setting for the Christmas dinner for members of the Wells family. The party numbered sixteen.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint McDowell entertained with a Christmas dinner at their home, northwest of Maryville, for Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Chambers and son, Billy, Mr. and Mrs. Otto McDowell and children, Otto Wilson, and Anna Laurette, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Van Velsdon, and Mrs. W. B. Heryford and Charles Heryford.

Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Gates of Elmo entertained the following guests at dinner on Christmas day: Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Ferguson and daughter, Ruth, of St. Joseph, and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Ferguson and family of Harmony.

Christmas dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Gray, 1011 North Main street, were their daughter, Mrs. J. E. Alexander of Lincoln, Neb., their son, L. H. Gray and family, Phyllis and Marjorie of Pickering, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Lache and son, Jimmie, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gumm and children, Winifred and Laddie, of Pickering, and Miss Roine Gray of Wheatland, Wyo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Erickson entertained with a 6 o'clock dinner and a Christmas tree celebration Friday evening for members of their family. Those present were Mrs. Guy Erickson of St. Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Erickson of Bolekow, Miss Blanche Erickson and Mabel Ruth Erickson of St. Joseph. Another son, Guy Erickson of St. Joseph, was unable to be present.

The following family group was entertained at a Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lyle: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lyle and son, Harry Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Lyle and daughter, Estellene, Virgil Lyle of Omaha and Aubrey Lyle of Topeka.

Mr. and Mrs. James Cummings entertained at Christmas dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Younger and daughter, Betty Geau, of St. Joseph, Miss May Conlin, Seth Shipp, Mrs. Della Conlin, and Mrs. Hattie Younger.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Anderson gave a goose dinner at their home on North Walnut street Christmas day when they entertained Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Crossan and daughter, Lora Mae, of Kansas City, who came Christmas eve for a several days' visit. Harold Kruse of Fairfax, Miss Bertha Anderson and Dr. James Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cook and little sons of Kansas City were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. Cook's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Cook. The visitors returned home this morning.

A 1 o'clock Christmas dinner was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Pixler, 420 West Cooper street. In the group were Mr. and Mrs. James Pixler of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Nelson of St. Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Ferguson and daughter, Allene, of Burlington Junction, Charles Kelley of Wilcox, Mrs. Ella Trullinger, Earl Trullinger, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Moberly, Mrs. Elizabeth Lightfoot and sons, Harold, Kenneth and George Lightfoot, and the hosts.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. White were hosts at a turkey dinner Christmas day when their guests included Mr. and Mrs. George Dimas and Gus Dannison of Shenandoah, Ia., Mr. and Mrs. W. A. White, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wallin and daughter, Jean, Miss Laura White and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bithos.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Arthur entertained with a Christmas dinner at their home on South Walnut street. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Arthur of Clarinda, Ia., Mrs. L. M. Gordon and son, Paul, of Shenandoah, Ia., J. E. Gordon of Omaha, Albert Gordon of Iowa Falls, Ia., Miss Mildred Gordon of Hobart, Ind., and Raymond Arthur of this city.

Mrs. Kate Norton and daughter, Miss Margaret Norton, were hostesses at a Christmas dinner for the former's sisters, Misses Emma and Margaret Paschal of Skidmore, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Westfall and son, Marvin, and Miss Mary Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Ziegler had as their Christmas dinner guests the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Besgrove of Fayette, who came last Wednesday. The group also included Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Will and Ruth Joan, baby daughter of the hosts. A turkey dinner was served.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Martin and family had Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Person and sons, William, Harold and Paul, and Mrs. W. A. Miller and daughters, Harriett, Ruth, Vivian and Janita, as their Christmas dinner guests.

Mrs. Barbara Bowman celebrated her seventy-sixth birthday anniversary with a 12 o'clock Christmas dinner. A Christmas tree with an exchange of gifts was an enjoyable feature of the day. The group included, besides the hostess and her daughter, Nina, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Bowman and children, Amy, John, Joe, Gertrude and Alberta, of Barnard, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bowman, also of Barnard, and Barbara A. Bowman.

The members of a Christmas dinner

party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James T. Patterson were Mr. and Mrs. Chester Ferguson and daughter, Eva Jean, Robert Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bickett and daughter, Wanda Joy, and George and Howard Patterson.

Dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George G. Gay on Christmas day were Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Houchens, Mrs. J. G. Richardson and her nieces, Mildred and LaVeta Gay, of Yuma, Colo., Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Lawson and children, Maxine, Lloyd and Mabel Frances, of Platteau, Colo., Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gay and daughter, Vivian Marie, of St. Joseph, and Miss Mabel Gay.

Meet Jan. 6.

The meeting of the Knab County Club will be held Jan. 6 at the home of Mrs. Frank T. Hall instead of Thursday as announced.

Tebow Dinner Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Tebow entertained with a family dinner yesterday at their home on West Third street in honor of their daughter, Helen, of Clarkson, Neb., and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd L. Heck of Ames, Ia., who are spending their holidays with Mrs. Heck's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tebow. Plates were laid for Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tebow, Mr. and Mrs. Kenney Tebow and children, Kenneth, Billy and Mary Ellen, Frank Tebow, the honor guests, and hosts.

For Bridal Couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Elias Brown, living near Orrsburg, entertained at dinner yesterday in honor of their son, Cecil Brown, and his bride, of Kansas City, who were recently married. Others entertained were Mr. and Mrs. James Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Orley Miller and son, Alvin, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Miller and children, Gertrude and Ray, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas O'Day, Mr. and Mrs. John Mayfield and children, Lavon and Willa, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Burr, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Harris and sons, Vincent and Gerald, Mr. and Mrs. Viron Bird and sons, Erman and Edward, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Kelley and daughter, Shirley May, Mr. and Mrs. Elias Echterling and sons, Elvin, Frederick and Delbert, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Brown and son, Kenneth, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Orley Statesman, Mrs. Marjorie Morris and daughter, Marie, Misses Hazel Miller, Lola O'Day, Naomi and Eunice Miller, and Leo and Everett O'Day, Glenn Jones and Leslie Miller.

Christmas Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Baker entertained members of the B. B. Club and their families at a Christmas party Thursday night at their home, south of Maryville. The house was decorated in the holiday colors. The evening was spent in games, after which Santa Claus arrived with gifts and a treat for the members and their guests. Refreshments of popcorn balls, apples, cookies and nuts were served. Guests of the club were Miss Dolores Mazingo and Bill Anderson. Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Don Kingery, Mrs. Glen Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wyatt, Mrs. Albert Carr, Mrs. D. S. Moody, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Ripley, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hull, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gray, Robert, Mildred and Deloris Kingery, Barbara Wyatt, Zelma Bird of St. Joseph, Hazel Moody, Doris Ripley, Anna Stafford, Mary Good, Herbert, Gaylord, Charles, Emmett and Theodore Baker, Donald Kingery, Glenn Anderson, Jr., Trevis Wyatt, Harold and Donald Ripley, Curtis Dean Gray and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Baker.

Tebow Sawyers Wedding.

The marriage of Miss Mildred Lucile Tebow to Mr. Scott Kierker Sawyers of St. Joseph took place at 3:30 o'clock Christmas day at the country home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tebow. The Rev. Henry A. Sawyers of St. Joseph, father of the bridegroom, read the service in the living room. Before the ceremony, Mrs. Paul Sawyers of St. Joseph sang "Until" by Sander-son. She was accompanied by Mrs. Kenney Tebow, who played Mendelssohn's wedding march. The bride wore a gown of pale green canton crepe and chiffon embroidered in gold and green, and she carried a shower bouquet of Ophelia roses and sweetpeas. The bride's sister, Mrs. Lloyd L. Heck of Ames, Ia., who was matron of honor, wore a frock of blue taffeta and georgette. Mr. Heck attended Mr. Sawyers as best man. After the ceremony a two-course luncheon was served by the bride's mother, assisted by Misses Virginia Nicholas, Mildred Carlson, Martha Glover, and Mrs. Julius Lowry of Kansas City, all

intimate friends of the bride. Other guests included the Rev. and Mrs. Henry A. Sawyers, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sawyers and son, Paul Harold, and William Sawyers, all of St. Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Zimmerman and children, Henry and Martha Sue, Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Tebow, Mr. and Mrs. Kenney Tebow and children, Kenneth, Billy and Mary Ellen, Julius Lowry of Kansas City, G. L. Epperson of Ault, Colo., and Frank and Helen Tebow. Mr. Sawyers and his bride left the same afternoon for St. Joseph where they will be at home at 3112 St. Joseph avenue after Jan. 1.

The bride is a graduate of the Maryville High School and during her senior year won first place in piano solo at the Northwest Missouri High School contests. Mr. Sawyers is a graduate of Benton High School in St. Joseph and was an outstanding athlete while in

high school. He is now in the employ of the Richardson Wholesale Dry Goods Company of St. Joseph.

Landfather-Richards Nuptials.

On Christmas afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Louella Landfather, 319 West Third street, occurred the marriage of her younger daughter, Leta Claire, to Wayland Richards of Maryville. The single ring ceremony was read by the bridegroom's father, the Rev. R. W. Richards, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Chilesville, Mo. The bride's gown was of pink georgette and her flowers a corsage of pink rosebuds and violets. Following the ceremony a three-course dinner was served. The wedding guests included the Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Richards, parents of the bridegroom, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Clayton, grandparents of the bride, Mr. and

Mrs. J. Bennett Dougan and daughter, Betty Jeanne, of Rosendale, Miss Marie Landfather, Miss Mary Curnutt, Alva M. Borch, and Mrs. Landfather and her adopted son, Preston Nevins.

Mr. Richards and his bride left Saturday evening for a short wedding trip to Kansas City and are expected home tonight. They will be at home after Jan. 1 at 304 West Third street. The bride was graduated from the Maryville High School in the class of 1922 and the same year entered the State Teachers College where she is specializing in music. Mr. Richards is a graduate of the Hiawatha, Kan., High School. He came to Maryville with his parents in 1923 and part of 1924 was a student at the College. He later was associated with his father in the hardware business here. He is now connected with the Howard Wray Hardware store.

1922 Class Reunion.

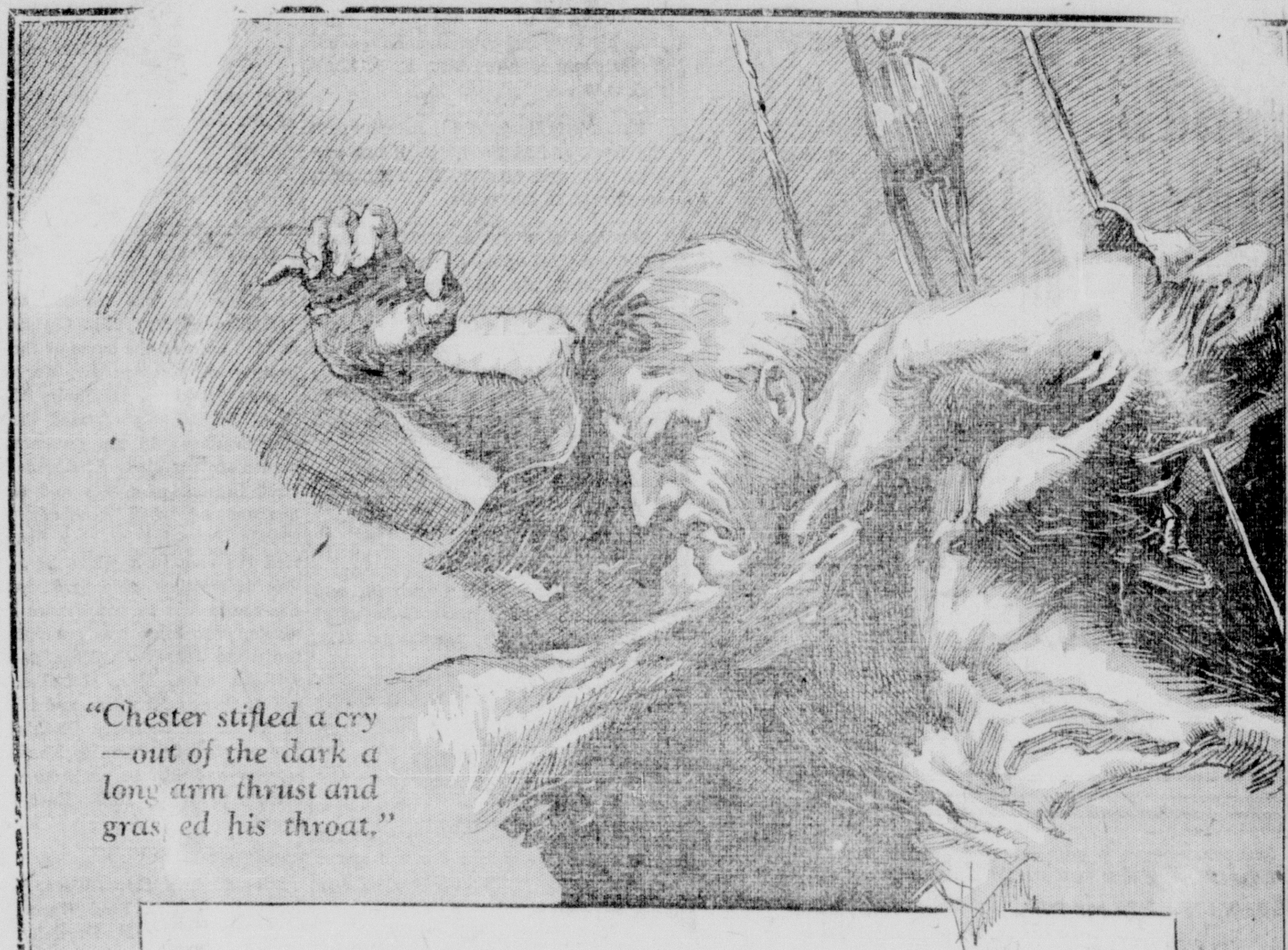
A reunion of the 1922 graduating class of the Maryville High School will be held tomorrow evening at the Yehle tea room. A banquet will be served at 7 o'clock.

Sorority Party.

Members of Pi Epsilon Pi sorority will be entertained at a Christmas party Wednesday afternoon at the home of Miss Lula Mae Curfman on West Second street. Additional hostesses will include Miss Mabel Cook, Miss Marie Chandler and Miss Minnie Evans. Visiting members and members home from school will be additional guests.

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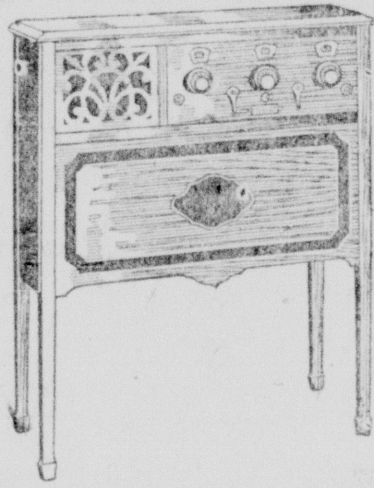
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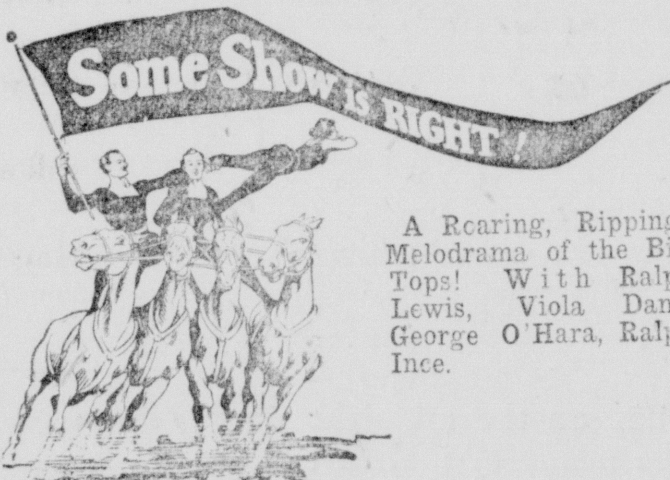
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W. Allen, Journalist, Gets in K. C. Star

Sunday Issue Tells of Missouri Monthly Magazine And Its Youthful Maryville Editor.

Walter Allen, youthful magazine editor of Maryville and high school reporter for the Democrat-Forum, "broke into" the Sunday issue of the Kansas City Star. In the Missouri column of yesterday's paper was carried the following story with Allen's picture:

Young Magazine Editor.

George Walter Allen of Maryville is one of the youngest magazine editors in Missouri. Although only 19 years old young Allen has published the Missouri Monthly for five years.

The magazine is unique in that all of its contents are written or drawn by hand. Each publication requires an average of 132 hours' of work. Only one copy is published.

Young Allen obtained the material for his magazine by writing well known men and women all over the

country, requesting them to write an article on some subject. The youthful editor also writes several articles for his magazine. He dedicates each number of his publication to some well known person.

The January number of the Missouri Monthly was dedicated to Irwin Kirkwood, editor of The Kansas City Star. On the cover is a picture of William Reckill Nelson. The magazine also contains pictures of Mrs. Laura Nelson Kirkwood, Marion Talley, Dr. Henry J. Waters, R. A. Long, Mayor Albert I. Beach, Theodore Gary and Judge Albert L. Reeves.

Paul Halasey Fined \$5 on Drunk Charge

Paul Halasey was fined \$5 and costs in police court today by Judge J. H. Saylor on a charge of drunkenness.

He was arrested by Policeman Leo Atherton Christmas night.

Miss May Kissinger of Kansas City came Friday night to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kissinger.

Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Loch of Ravenwood are the parents of a daughter, born yesterday.

Misses Nell and Anna Marie Farnan arrived home Tuesday to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Farnan of Guilford. The former has resigned as teacher in the consolidated school at Alton, Mo. Miss Marie Farnan will resume her commercial school work at Grand Island, Neb., after Jan. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Fayette Bellows and daughters, Mary Jane and Barbara, of Kansas City are holiday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Chandler.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wadley had as their guests yesterday the latter's brother, J. B. Harrison, and Mrs. Harrison, of St. Joseph.

Jacques Shoemaker of Omaha came Christmas night to spend the week with his grandparents, Mrs. Lavencour Michau and Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Shoemaker, sr.

Mrs. Alma Healy of St. Joseph spent the week end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Thompson, southwest of Maryville.

Mr. and Mrs. James Middleton and daughter Opal spent Christmas in St. Joseph with Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hollowell and family.

Miss Vivian Alsop, an instructor in the New Hampton, Mo., schools, is spending the Christmas vacation in Maryville with her parents, the Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Alsop.

Mrs. R. T. Curran left Saturday afternoon for Joplin, Mo., where she will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Smith, for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gram, jr., and daughter, and Miss Mary Gram spent Christmas with the parents of Mrs. Gram at Easton, Mo.

Miss Eva Edwards, who is taking nurse's training at Mercy Hospital in St. Joseph, spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William K. Edwards, and family.

Miss Clara Alcorn left last week for Syracuse, N. Y., where she will spend several months with her brother, Eugene Alcorn.

Summoned By Father's Illness.

Mrs. W. A. Rickenbrode left this morning for Topeka, Kan., where she was summoned by the critical illness of her father, William Beauchamp.

Mrs. Stanley Alely Here.

Mrs. Stanley Alely arrived this morning from Chicago for a visit of ten days or two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Houchens. Mrs. Alely was the former Miss Ruth Houchens.

Judge Robertson Ill.

Judge Jesse F. Robertson of the Probate court was confined to his home today with the flu. He was unable to sit on the circuit court bench today and court will be held tomorrow if the judge is able to leave his home.

Yehle Store Gives Santa Claus Party

Santa Claus was the honored guest of employees of the Yehle Department in the millinery department at 6 o'clock Friday evening.

As the employees of the store gathered about a Christmas tree, he distributed gifts for all, while C. J. Alderman and Miss Kate Yehle were presented potted plants. Those who attended Santa's visit:

Mrs. Mary Gray, Miss Esther Hull, Miss Jettie Robertson, Miss Louise Kroetch, Miss Kate Willis, Mrs. Pauline Masters, Miss Ina Hollowell, Mrs. Byron Busby, Miss Thelma Beam, Miss Theresa Yehle, Miss Charity Wiseman, Miss Blanche McMillen, Miss Addie Yeo, Miss Helen Morton, Mrs. Aline Graves, Mrs. Mildred Rhoades, Miss Kate Yehle and Frances Spoor.

Miss Ethel Muntz, Mrs. Maggie Thompson, Miss Pauline Mahr, Plossie Miller, Miss Lucile Gillespie, Isaac Young, John Montjoy, Chester Lyle, C. J. Alderman, Ralph and Cleo Yehle.

Fred James Is Unable to Give \$1,000 Bond

Fred James of Elmo, waived preliminary hearing before Judge J. H. Saylor in justice court on a charge of driving a motor vehicle while intoxicated and was unable to give a \$1,000 bond.

He was bound over to the custody of Sheriff Campbell and will probably appear before Judge Jesse F. Robertson in circuit court to answer the charge.

Monett—The Railway Ice Company, of this city, will spend \$150,000 to increase the capacity of its plant from 70 to 150 tons daily, according to a recent announcement.

IN SOCIETY

Rauch Cutrill.

Leta Rauch and Fred A. Cutrill, both of Parnell, were married Christmas eve in Savannah by the Rev. Mr. Shaffer. The couple will live in the Parnell vicinity.

P. E. O. Party.

Mrs. Arch Frank and Mrs. G. B. Roseberry will be hostesses at a Christmas-party tomorrow afternoon at the home of the former, when they will entertain members of Chapter L. P. E. C.

Colberts Entertain.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Colbert entertained a group of friends informally last night at their home on East Seventh street in keeping with an annual custom during the holiday season.

Corwin Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Corwin and daughter, Miss Mae Corwin, had as their week-end guests Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Hanna and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Toel and little daughter, Mary Jean, of St. Joseph and Forrest Hanna of Kansas City. Mr. and Mrs. Corwin were hosts at a dinner yesterday at Smart's in honor of the visitors.

Pierpoint-McMillen.

Miss Blanche Pierpoint, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Pierpoint of Maryville, was married to Weber McMillen of Maryville Christmas day at high noon at the home of the bride's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Pierpoint, in Chula, Mo.

The Rev. Mr. Baker performed the double ring ceremony in the presence of the immediate families. The bride was attired in rose georgette and carried a bouquet of pink rosebuds. Loren Claude Pierpoint as ring bearer carried the ring in a white lily. Christmas decorations were used throughout the rooms and in the dinner appointments. The bride was graduated from the State Teachers College in the last spring's class. Mr. McMillen is the son of George McMillen and is employed at the Montgomery Clothing store. The couple will return to Maryville tomorrow and will be at home with the bride's parents, 1022 East Second street.

Ware-Drydale.

Miss Madona Hope Ware, youngest daughter of Mrs. Etta Ware of Barnard, and Henry E. Drydale, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Drydale of Barnard, were married at 2 o'clock last Thursday afternoon at the Loomis studio in Savannah, Ga. The Rev. Mr. Loomis performed the ceremony. The bride wore a gown of blue georgette over satin trimmed in gold and blue embroidery, with tan hat and gloves and blonde kid slippers. The couple was accompanied by Miss Anna Drydale, sister of the bridegroom, Margie Thrasher and Stanley Neal of Graham. After a short trip they will be at home on a farm near Barnard.

Bailey Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Bailey and daughters, Mildred and Eva, entertained with a dinner Sunday at their home, 820 South Fillmore street. They had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Benham and children, Cora, Alfred and Everett, of Barnard and Emory Zook of Pickering.

Christmas Dance.

Fifty-eight couples attended the Christmas dance which the Country Club gave Christmas night for members their families and guests. A large number of guests from out of town were in attendance. Boyard's orchestra furnished the music. The mantle in the lounge was banked with greens and tinsel.

New Year's Party.

Mrs. Earl Henderson and Miss Dorothy Russell, primary teachers in the M. E. Church, South, Sunday School, will entertain members of the two classes at a New Year's party Saturday afternoon from 2 to 4 o'clock at the Henderson home.

AUNT HET



"I hate to see a man's socks droopin', an' I'm glad it's cold weather again so Pa has got somethin' to pin his to."

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"Jap Ghandi"



Tenko Nishida, known as the "Ghandi of Japan," and one of the Orient's most distinguished philosophers and religious leaders, is beginning his first tour of America! This picture was taken on his arrival in Los Angeles.

Jenson Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Jenson, living northwest of Maryville, entertained at dinner yesterday for Mr. and Mrs. Charles Garrett, Sarah, Thelma, William, Roland and Oren Garrett, Mr. and Mrs. George Meyers and daughters, Ruth Marjorie and Beth Lois, Perry Evans, and Roy Jenson.

Trullinger Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stinson were dinner guests yesterday of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Trullinger and son, Donald.

Shinabargar Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shinabargar entertained with a family dinner and Christmas tree celebration yesterday at their country home, ten miles southwest of Maryville. Their guests were Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Charles and children, Bess, Lonella and Velda Jean, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Pratt and daughter, Margaret, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Charles, Cleo and Leroy Shinabargar, and Mary Lee Ramey of St. Joseph, a guest at the Shinabargar home.

Haines Bunch Holds 13th Annual Party

Following an annual custom which has been observed for the past thirteen years the Haines Bunch held their Christmas party in the ready-to-wear department of the store, Friday evening at 6:30. Gifts from a Christmas tree and a generous amount of jokes were much in evidence for members of the bunch. Mr. Haines presented each employee with ten dollars and the bunch gave the "boss" a hammered brass desk set and a box of night shirts (and Harvey said the "evening clothes" were badly needed.)

Those attending the party were Mrs. Irwin Will, Mrs. Anna Anderson, Miss Gladys and Merle Ford, Miss Gertrude Condon, Miss Anna Stapler, Miss Mary Taylor, Miss Lida Ambrose, Miss Lois Cummings, Miss Guy Leeper, Don Martin, Thomas Elders, and Mr. Haines.

Former Texas Mayor Gets Prison Pardon

Austin, Tex., Dec. 27.—Frank Collier, former mayor of Wichita Falls, under sentence of three years for manslaughter in connection with the slaying of his son-in-law, E. Robertson, has been granted a full pardon, it became known here today. Mrs. Collier, under ten-year sentence for murder in connection with young Robertson's death, was pardoned in November. The reason given for the pardon were recommendations from eleven of the jury which convicted Collier and petitions signed by more than 400 people including prominent citizens of Wichita Falls, ministers, lawyers, and other professional men.

"While I do not say that Collier was free from blame, I do not think he is a criminal," the governor said.

Ormiston Gets Delay on His Arraignment

Los Angeles, Dec. 27.—Pleading his own case, Kenneth G. Ormiston, co-defendant in the Albee Temple McPherson conspiracy case, appeared in the Superior Court today and arranged for postponement of his hearing until January 6. This was the second time the radio man obtained a postponement of arraignment without the benefit of counsel.

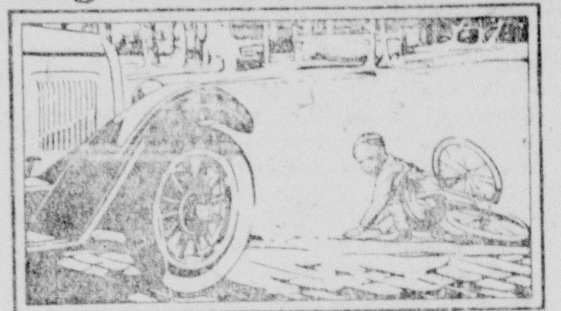
Excelsior Springs—A contemplated cheese factory for this city would require milk from 500 cows daily.

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HALTS HOME TO SEEK OIL

ARCH EDWARDS, MARYVILLE
BOY, DRILLS NEAR OKLA. CITY

HAD PLANNED MANSION

Gives Up Plans To Build \$100,000
Home On Country Site To Drill
for Oil.

R. J. (Arch) Edwards, a former resident of Maryville and who is well known here, has given up plans for the building of a \$100,000 country mansion near Oklahoma City to test for oil on the ground where he was to build this home.

The following account is taken from a recent issue of an Oklahoma City newspaper:

As Oklahoma City holds its breath in oil well excitement, dust accumulates on plans for a \$100,000 country home that was to have crowned the hill overlooking R. J. Edwards' 240 acres, where now stands an oil derrick—the city's hope.

R. J. Edwards is a bond man and an attorney, not an oil operator—although he admits he has lost money on several oil projects. He bought up the property that now is the focus of attention in the mid-continent field, as a site for a country home he and Mrs. Edwards had planned for years. He has utmost confidence in Joe Cromwell and the oil structure they believe is, there. He consented after much argument to giving plans for a home, in favor of forcing Oklahoma City a test well.

Once convinced the structure was there, Edwards went to the limit to give Oklahoma City a test well. He contracted with Cromwell to lease it, with the provision that a 4,000 foot well be drilled within a year. The hole went 4,000 feet. Cromwell still had faith there was oil there and he came to Edwards.

"He wanted financial help to go deeper," Edwards said Tuesday. "We agreed that if he would go 500 feet deeper at his expense, and didn't get oil, I'd furnish the money to go 500 farther, making a test well of 5,000 feet. We got to 4,383 and hit a sand. Edwards believes Oklahoma county is going to have oil development following on the heels of the Cromwell test. He believes a 100 barrel well would mean great expansion for Oklahoma City.

After Cromwell started work a year and a half ago, Edwards resumed looking for another large tract on which to build the country estate he almost built north of the capitol. Just as he was about to sign the deed, an oil man came and wanted a lease, saying he too had found the structure. Edwards didn't buy, and says he won't buy for the country home until Oklahoma county's oil scope is ascertained, for he doesn't want a country place dotted with derricks.

Tuesday Edwards told the story of how he, a poor boy, came to Oklahoma to try to succeed in building up a law practice in the new country. He now is rated as one of the city's wealthiest men. Edwards owns extensive property and handles an enormous investment and securities business.

"I came to Oklahoma in 1891, broke. Two years later I was made district judge in Noble county, when the Cherokee strip was opened. I was paid on warrants on which I could collect only 90 per cent on the dollar. I saw the people here had no money to pay legal fees, even though I could get the business, and like every other young man, I wanted to make money.

"Other men were making money buying these discounted warrants and selling them at par, and I decided I could do it too. I left the district judgeship and started in business. The first year I made \$10,000 on those warrants, buying them at a 10 per cent discount and selling them at par in blocks of \$50,000 or more."

The first time Edwards invested in an oil possibility he made money; and has been trying to repeat ever since; losing, as he puts it, "very, very consistently." "I believe the law of averages and Joe Cromwell's good judgment is going to make this time, my time," he said.

Another clipping from the Oklahoma City paper was as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Edwards will entertain informally at dinner Tuesday evening in their home, 432 West Tenth street, to honor their son, Beverly, who will return Sunday from Phillips academy, Andover, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwards will also have as their guests during the vacations, their daughter, Miss Mary Elizabeth, a student at Bryn Mawr college, Bryn Mawr, Pa., who will arrive Thursday; Archibald, who will return Monday from Harvard college, Cambridge, Mass., and Robert, who has been traveling abroad for an extended time and who will arrive late next week.

Snoozing "King" Benjamin and His Accuser, In Court



"King" Benjamin Purnell of the House of David lay as if asleep on a stretcher, while Mrs. Bessie Woodworth testified before a Benton Harbor, Mich., court in support of criminal assault charges against him, as this remarkable photograph was made. It was the latest of Purnell's many appearances in court since information given authorities by Mrs. Woodworth ended a three year search for him recently.

Parents Urged to Register Births

State Health Departments Issues
Names of Fourteen Nodaway
Birth Registrars.

In a recently issued statement the Missouri State Board of Health has again called parents' attention to the law requiring them to report children's births and has pointed out the later inconvenience to the children if this is not done.

The local registrars, who are state employees, are scattered all over the county for convenience of parents, physicians, and midwives in making birth and death reports. It is amazing that any parent fails to give wholehearted cooperation to the state in its work of registering births.

One state registrar wrote Dr. James Stewart, the State Registrar, at Jefferson City, about this parental indifference to children's interest when he tried to obtain the correct name of a child whose birth record was incomplete. This is a part of Dr. Stewart's reply:

"It is quite a serious matter to ignore a local registrar's request for a report of a child's name in order that a birth certificate may be completed. It would seem unnecessary to remind parents that they have a legal obligation in the matter of reporting births and that they are liable to a fine for neglect. Ten or twenty years hence, when the child may sorely need this important legal document and it can-

not be found, he will wonder how his parents could have been so indifferent to his birth rights."

It would be a fine thing if the mothers made up their minds that our county would be made 100 per cent perfect in birth registration. It is only necessary for each mother to go to the local registrar to see if her child's birth is registered, and if not, then and there to secure registration without cost. The local registrars for this county are: Dr. Chas. D. Hummer, Barnard; Dr. C. E. Cossins, Burlington Junction; Dr. W. H. Wiley, Clearmont; Mrs. Mabel M. Graham, Conception Junction; Mr. Clark D. Horn, Elmo; Dr. M. M. Rhoades, Graham; Dr. J. A. McClannahan, Guilford; O. H. Saylor, Hopkins; Dr. C. P. Fryer, Maryville; Dr. Hiram Day, Parnell; Mrs. Wilbur Smith, Pickering; J. E. Jones, Quitman; S. P. Ross, Ravenwood; and Dr. J. C. Manning, Skidmore.

Cattle Herded Over Old Trail in Texas

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 27.—The old trail of the west has not yet passed into history. Congressman Hudspeth and several cowboys have just completed moving a large herd of cattle from Lazy S ranch near Del Rio to the old Captain James ranch, near Alpine, a distance of three hundred and fifty miles. Both ranches are owned by Hudspeth. It is rare that cattle are moved a great distance now except by train.

Motor May Replace Horses in Battery C

Federal Military Authorities Would
Motorize Maryville and Burling-
ton Junction Field Units.

Jefferson City, Dec. 27.—Motorization of the "One Hundred Twenty-Eighth Field Artillery, so that a surplus of motor equipment may be utilized and the 176 horses and mules in the unit may be released for use in other states, is regarded as likely within the next few weeks.

First serious consideration of the move came from the Militia Bureau at Washington, which sent word to Gen. Frank M. Rumbold, adjutant general of Missouri, suggesting the substitution of motor equipment for present horse drawn regimental equipment.

"The proposed substitution would release for transfer elsewhere a number of government-owned horses which would tend to relieve the present situation in those states whose mounted organizations are unable to obtain sufficient horses for training horses," the bureau has advised the adjutant general.

The shortage referred to is evident in the annual report of Dwight F. Davis of St. Louis, Secretary of War, in which it was pointed out that while the six-field-army plan, outlined in the provisions of the National Defense act of 1920, provided for 548,892 animals, there were, on June 30, but 48,597 on hand and of these 12,000 were

too old for field service.

A transfer would take horses from Battery A, St. Louis, Battery B, Mexico, Battery C, Maryville, Battery D, Boonville, Battery E, Clinton, Battery F, Sedalia and service battery at Burlington Junction.

Elmo Discusses Wabash Schedule

The Elmo Register last week had the following about the railroad meeting in Omaha recently relative to changing some of the trains on the Wabash:

Last week a meeting was held in Elmo for the purpose of selecting some one to go to Omaha with other representatives from other towns along the Wabash railroad officials and see if some arrangement could not be made to place a train eastbound in the forenoon and westbound in the afternoon or evening. It is impossible for those west of Maryville to reach the county seat town by rail and transact any business or do any shopping without spending two nights and one day in that place, the local freight when on time arrives at Maryville about 4 p. m.

A representative was sent and a meeting was had while no definite arrangements could be made at this time we believe that the service can be had by each town along the line standing up for it and working together.

The officials at Omaha promised us that they would take our objections and demands before the St. Louis authorities in person and lay it all before them.

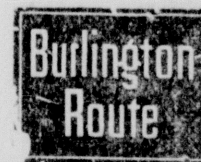
We were received very cordially and

have every reason to believe that some change will be made in our present schedule.

Miss Blanche Erickson is spending the holidays with her brothers at St. Joseph and Bolckow.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Flynn and children, Dorothy, Edward and Kathleen, of Kansas City returned home this afternoon after a Christmas visit with Mrs. Flynn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Sturm.

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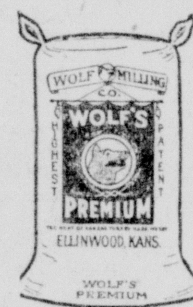
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23c Specials

3 lb Navy Beans.....	23c	2 lb Bananas.....	23c
3 lb Idaho Beans.....	23c	1/2 dozen large Oranges.....	23c
3 lb Pinto Beans.....	23c	Three 1 lb Argo Starch.....	23c
3 lb Pink Beans.....	23c	Three 1 lb Corn Starch.....	23c
3 lb Baby Limas.....	23c	1 can Saniflush.....	23c
2 lb large Limas.....	23c	1 can Bowlene.....	23c
3 lb Blue Rose Rice.....	23c	3 cans Old Dutch.....	23c
2 lb Seedless Raisins.....	23c	Quart jar Mustard.....	23c
1 lb Dried Peaches.....	23c	Large bottle Catsup.....	23c
10 lb bag Meal.....	23c	3 packages Jelly Powder.....	23c
Three 1 lb Soda.....	23c	2 packages Jello.....	23c
Large 2 oz. bottle Vanilla.....	23c	Large can Cocoa.....	23c
Large 2 oz. bottle Lemon.....	23c	2 packages Muffin Flour.....	23c
2 lb Powdered Sugar.....	23c	2 packages French's Bird Seed.....	23c
3 lb Cocoa.....	23c	2 No. 2 Lamp Flues.....	23c
9 lb Northern Potatoes.....	23c	6 bars P. & G. Soap.....	23c
4 lb Sweet Potatoes.....	23c	6 bars Ben Hur.....	23c
6 lb Cabbage.....	23c	3 bars any kind Toilet Soap.....	23c
5 lb Red Globe Onions.....	23c	Large package Lux.....	23c

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2 cans Standard Corn.....	23c
2 cans Standard Tomatoes.....	23c
2 cans Standard Peas.....	23c
2 cans Standard Pumpkin.....	23c
2 cans Standard Hominy.....	23c
2 cans Standard Kraut.....	23c

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field of battle.

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achievements—not all of them of gallantry
but none the less conspicuous in the ambitions
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WATCH OUR WINDOWS

Campus Rebels

CHAPTER XLVIII.

With dazed, unbelieving eyes, Judith looked down from the table at the sprawling body of the dean. He lay limply against the table leg, feebly striking out with arms and feet. In coherent cries filled the room, and the girl who had shrieked cried aloud alone again.

Standing over him was the man who had knocked him down. He was just straightening gray tweed shoulders from the blow.

"Great gods, the professor!" yelped Will Wetherell from his corner by the door.

Dr. Dorn paid no heed. With a long arm, he swept Judith off the table, so that she lay against his shoulder as limply as a child. Then, avoiding the

trunk and suitcase. Then she dragged all her clothes from the hangers, and, jerking out the drawers of the dresser, dumped their contents on the bed.

Working in feverish haste and as quietly as possible, she packed the trunk and grip. It took a few minutes of pulling to close the lid of each. There remained the stacks of books ranged on the table and the papers in the desk and she stood looking at them for a moment. The jade dress clung about her now, limp and soiled from the packing. Her hair had fallen about her face and one chiffon stocking had ripped against the trunk edge.

She glanced around the room. It was stripped of pictures, of crocheted curtains, of all signs of her occupancy. On the dressing table were left only the

I've done this, though nobody else does—and you'll be glad I hope.

"I've left him. I'm going to be happy. He can't reach us. When he first learns I'm not visiting my people, we'll be on our way to South America. My dearest has a mining concession there."

"I'll never see Pendleton again—thank God. And I'll never see the dean again."

"I'm afraid this is good-bye to you too, Judith. I'm sorry for that. You've done your best to help me. Though we don't see each other again, I'll not forget—"

"College Transfer Company," said a brusque voice in Judith's ear.

She stammered in bewilderment a moment, then, recalling what she wished to say, gave her orders.

"O. K.," said the man on the wire; "seven-forty-five."

She read the rest of the letter, leaning against the telephone.

"You must have thought me terribly ungrateful of late. There was something I wanted, yet was afraid, to tell you. Once, when you came to see me, I dared not tell you in, for I knew I'd tell you everything. The dean came home that day and saw you. He hates you, Judith."

"I'd forced him to stop persecuting you, and he knew there was some bond between us. Finally he couldn't stand it. That day he saw you near the house, he told me if he ever saw us together, he'd discharge you out of hand."

"In a way, I was glad to be cut off from you. I knew I would tell you—what I did not dare to tell you, if we continued our intimacy."

"I killed 'Kitty' Shea, Judith. I'm not sorry—but sometimes I've been afraid. And when Eric Waters was accused—I nearly went mad. That's why I—got him out of jail."

"He needed killing, and I am glad I did it, though I really didn't mean to. He'd forced me into his car and was threatening to go to the dean if I didn't find more money for him."

"Out on the Middleburg road, he reached to touch me, and I pushed him and jumped out. I guess the wheel spun around, for the car went slithering off over the muddy bank and I stood in the road, trembling. I didn't go for help. I just tramped back to town."

"I'm not sorry. But I'm writing this so that if Eric is ever accused again, you'll have this letter. I'll be too far away to suffer from it. Thank you, Judith, and good-bye."

The letter was signed "Prudence Wheeler Brown."

Judith was still staring at the name when someone bounded up the porch steps. To prevent a ringing of the bell that would arouse the house, she opened the door herself. Eric stood before her. He came into the hall eagerly.

"Jude, I've come, at the first possible moment. I didn't want to cause a row by following you last night in the wee small hours."

"Frightful mess that, last night. But the triumph was worth it, to me at least. We'll go off and get married today, and neither of us will ever see Pendleton again—rotten hole. Get your things butteneup."

He took a step toward her. "Damn perry for that big schoolteacher stiff to interfere. I was just getting ready to sock old Brown myself when he stepped in. Guess I can take care of my own girls." He moved nearer.

But Judith's laughter stopped him. "Can you, indeed?" She glanced at the letter in her hand. "You've never done it. Why—?" she giggled hysterically. "You didn't even kill Shea for me!"

Eric looked at her in blank amazement. But someone else was coming up on the porch. They had left the door open, and Dr. Dorn walked in, unannounced.

He looked at Eric blankly, as though he did not recognize him, then turned to Judith, as if they two had been alone. "I've come—to say good-bye, and ask your pardon, Judith. I'm sorry I intruded upon your affairs—it seems as though I've only tangled them the more."

"Last night was horrible. But it's over, and it's the end. I'll be running away from that night and all the other wretched memories of Pendleton, as long as I live, I guess."

Judith was looking at him as though mesmerized. She made a helpless little gesture with her hands, but the professor did not heed it.

"Where—?" she began, but could not finish.

"I'm taking a post as research astronomer at the Yerkes observatory. It's been offered to me several times. But I couldn't make up my mind to leave—you. It doesn't matter now."

He was turning toward the door, followed by Eric's sardonic gaze.

"Wait!" Judith was running up the stairs. In a moment she came flying down again, wearing hat and coat and carrying a traveling bag in either hand.

Eric stepped forward, but she walked up to the professor. "Do you s'pose," she said, with a slow smile, "do you s'pose I could stuff off the telephones for you, or polish the stars—or something?"

ly. "Judith!" he cried, reaching both arms for her.

But she laughed softly and put the bags in his hands.

Eric, watching from the door, saw the rattletap tousing car turn the corner and vanish in a cloud of dust.

"Well, I'll be damned," said Eric. Someone was laughing softly behind him. He turned. It was Myra.

THE END.

Burlington Junction

(J. Howard Thompson, Correspondent)

Mrs. Florence Smith, took the night train for Maryville Thursday night where she was met by her son, Wilbur Smith of Pickering, and taken to Pickering by auto, where she will spend Christmas and perhaps longer with her son and his family. Mrs. Smith has lived many years in Burlington Junction and has many warm admirers. Her husband was pastor of the Methodist Church here twenty and more years ago, and died here while serving the church in that capacity, and is buried here in the Ohio Cemetery.

Clinton Rhodes, of Marysville, Kan., son of Mr. and Mrs. John Rhodes, came in a few days ago to spend his Christmas vacation under the parental roof, and also mingle again with his many friends in this community. Clinton is in the employ of the Union Pacific Railroad at Marysville, and is making good.

Mrs. Vern Caldwell, and her three children, Mary Jane, Betty Sue, and Charles Joseph will spend their vacation in Kansas City and vicinity. Mrs. Caldwell has a sister living in Kansas City.

Mrs. W. A. Gough and her family will have the profoundest sympathy of all in their great affliction, caused by the death of her husband and father of the children. Dr. Gough died at his home in the east part of town Thursday noon. He was stricken ten years ago, and has been an invalid ever since. He rapidly grew worse a few days ago, and the family soon saw the end was near. He was a good man.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Tucker went to Council Bluffs, Ia., last Wednesday morning for their Christmas vacation, and to visit a week or so. Mr. and Mrs. Tucker have a son in the Iowa town with whom they will stay while gone.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Warren will be host and hostess to a considerable number of friends during the Holiday season. Among their guests who will enjoy their marked hospitality are the following: Mrs. Birdwell and son, Mrs. Birdwell being a sister of Mrs. Warren; Trimble Warren, a son, a student in the Teachers' College at Maryville, and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Carlson, also of Maryville. Mrs. Carlson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren; Mrs. Birdwell and son also are from Maryville. They make frequent visits to the Warren home.

Watt Hobbs of St. Joseph, a former resident of Burlington Junction, who was operated on for appendicitis in a hospital in St. Joseph, died Thursday morning, and his body was brought here for burial Saturday night. Mrs. Hobbs was formerly Miss Hartie Webb of Burlington Junction.

The H-Y Club, an organization among the young men of the High School, is progressing very nicely under the leadership of Sherman Ware, who is president of the local unit of the organization. Recently during one of their meetings, the Rev. J. Howard Thompson was asked to deliver an address to them on Leadership, which he did.

There will be a joint installation of officers between the Masons and Order of Eastern Star in the Masonic Hall Monday night. All members of both orders in the community are urged to be present. Visiting members will be given a hearty welcome. At the close of the installation services, refreshments will be served.

Lewis Houston, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Houston, and who has been a student during this present semester at the State University, is home for the Christmas vacation. He has enjoyed his work very much, and is hoping to continue at the University until his entire course is completed. He is looking toward medicine as his life's work.

Mrs. Betty Snowhill, a sister of Mrs. Conrad in the south part of town, is very sick at her sister's home, with Bright's disease, with little hope of her getting better. She has been an invalid for some months, and has rapidly grown worse within the past week or two. She is receiving every consideration possible from her hosts of admiring friends.

The repair on the interior of the Methodist Church is rapidly going forth under the direction of Will James and Frank West. The two south rooms will be ready for the decorators within a very few days. This is an improvement needed many months, but unavoidable conditions prevented the work until now. When completed the church will have a very neat appearance.

Stanley Ferguson, of Denver, Colo., and son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ferguson, came home last Thursday night when services will be held in honor of

They're Off—With 21,000 Miles Ahead of 'em.



They're off—the Navy plane assigned to a 21,000-mile jaunt around Central and South America. This picture shows their formation a few minutes after the take-off from Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas. Inset shows Mrs. H. A. Dargue, wife of the commander of the squadron, bidding her husband goodbye.

for a two or three weeks visit with his parents and other friends. He will return to his home in Denver early in January.

R. Dollison with his daughter, Mary, left last Tuesday for Custer, Okla., to be gone a few weeks visiting. Mr. Dollison has a daughter in Custer and he and Mary went in time to eat Christmas dinner with his daughter there. They will be gone two weeks or more.

Misses Etta and Georgia Ellen Trusty, daughters of Dr. Trusty, and who are students in the Teachers College in Maryville, are home for their Christmas vacation, and to gladden daddy's heart with their presence. Miss Etta will receive her degree from the College this next quarter.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fordyce left Thursday night for Kirkwood, Ill., for a Christmas visit with Mr. Fordyce's brother, J. D. Fordyce and family, whom they have not seen for some time. They will be gone two or three weeks.

The district conference for the St. Joseph District of the Methodist Church, will meet next Tuesday and Wednesday in Grace Church, South St. Joseph. Rev. J. Howard Thompson, the pastor of the Methodist Church here will attend.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Corken left Tuesday morning for Excelsior Springs, Mo., where they will visit for a time, and incidentally drink the healing waters of that community. They will be gone a couple of weeks.

Mrs. Beulah Staples, the wife of William Staples, recently deceased, has been appointed administratrix of the estate of Mr. Staples, and will take full charge of the property. All who have any claims against the estate in any way, will take the matter up with her for adjustment.

Harry Wagner and family of Henrietta, Okla., came to town Wednesday of this week to spend the Christmas vacation with Mr. Wagner's mother, Mrs. W. H. Wagner and other relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Wagner formerly lived here.

Dr. and Mrs. L. E. Wallace were in St. Joseph last week, where the Doctor attended a clinic held in connection with the osteopathic hospital. On their return home they were accompanied by Mrs. Glen Hull, a sister of Mrs. Wallace. Mrs. Hull had been in the hospital for treatment, and is now at the Wallace home here in Burlington Junction where she is convalescing very nicely, and in a few weeks will be entirely well.

These are optimistic days relative to better roads in this community. The surveyors are already at work on No. 71, running north to the Iowa line, from a point two miles east of town, and which will be patrolled by the state, after the first of January. When they are through with their work on that highway, they will then begin at once to survey No. 18 leading west of town, and locate it permanently. Grading on both highways will be begun as soon as possible.

The basketball game which was to have been played in the armory against the Ravenwood boys' and girls' teams on Thursday night was postponed, partly on account of sickness among the players, and partly because of the constant downpour of rain throughout the day, on Thursday, thus preventing the attendance upon the part of the general public. The games will be played later.

There were two funeral services held in the Methodist Church Sunday. One of them was held at eleven o'clock in the morning when the funeral of Wata Hobbs was preached. Mr. Hobbs died in a hospital in St. Joseph as a result of a surgical operation Thursday morning, and his body brought to Burlington Junction for burial Saturday night.

hence the funeral Sunday morning. The second funeral was held at 2:30 p. m., when services will be held in honor of

Real Estate Transfers.

List of instruments filed in the Recorder's office of Nodaway County, beginning, Dec. 18.

F. W. Cole to W. McClurg Lbe. Co., \$14, Bk. 15, Quitman, \$325.

Fred Hiles to Mark Hiles, Int. in E½, NE 22-65-38, \$1.

City of Maryville to F. E. Spurgin, part Lt. 4, Bk 31, 1st add Oak Hill Cemty, \$14.

J. W. Hedgepeth to G. W. Scott, part NW 13, W½, SW 12-62-37, \$410.

Hesperian Lodge 189 to Jas. Herron et al, Lt. in part E sect. Prairie Home Cem., \$435.

C. L. Pennington to C. M. Cline, W½, Bk. 30, SE½ Maryville, \$3,000.

C. E. Cline to C. L. Pennington & wife, E½-SE, 16-63-34, \$1.

W. H. Allen to A. K. Kern, E½-NW, 28-63-31, \$1.

Fred Echterling to E. J. Dixon, SE & NE SW, 32-66-33, \$24,000.

A. P. Swaney to Ada Fisher, part NWNE, 1-66-37, \$1.

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G. E. Cox to E. C. Cox, part Lt. 1, Bk. 37, Hopkins, \$1.

G. L. Wilfley to W. C. Pierce, Lts. 3 and 4, Bk. 2, Robinsons 2d add, Maryville, \$1.

W. C. Pierce to G. L. Wilfley & wife, Lts. 3 and 4, Bk. 2, Robinsons 2d add, Maryville, \$1.

Ravenwood Lodge 464 to E. W. Bishop, 60-9, Bk 1, Oak Lawn Cem., \$25.

S. E. Ditto to G. W. Thompson and wife, Lts. 3 and 4, Bk. 12, Charles 1st add Maryville, \$1,500.

B. W. Lemon to F. W. Smith, part SE-SW, 17-64-35, \$2,000.

Lee's Summit—An addition, 91 by 14 feet, will be built to the Lee's Summit Hospital.

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Persistent coughs and colds lead to serious trouble. You can stop them now with Creomulsion, an emulsified creosote that is pleasant to take. Creomulsion is a new medical discovery with two-fold action; it soothes and heals the inflamed membranes and inhibits germ growth.

Of all known drugs, creosote is recognized by high medical authorities as one of the greatest healing agencies for persistent coughs and colds and other forms of throat troubles. Creomulsion contains, in addition to creosote, other healing elements which soothe and heal the infected membranes and stop the irritation and inflammation; while the creosote goes on to the stomach, is absorbed into the blood, attacks the seat of the trouble and checks the growth of the germs.

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Now That Christmas Is Past

Now that Christmas is past and you have had all the candy and cake and other rich things you could eat and much more than you should have eaten, you will want something more healthful as well as more economical. Turn to milk, the most perfect food.

What could be more healthful than milk and the things made with milk?

For the Milky-Way is the Healthy Way.

Virgil Hartness

JERSEY DAIRY
HANAMO 246.

CLOSING OUT SALE

As I am leaving the state, I will hold a Public Sale at my home in Pickering, on

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31

beginning at 12 o'clock sharp, the following livestock and articles:

HORSES—Brown horse, smooth mouth, weight 1050; black mare, 8 years old, weight 1150; gray mare, smooth mouth, weight 1100.

COWS—Three Jersey cows, all giving milk, to freshen in the spring.

HOGS—One sow, and eight pigs—three weeks old.

FARM MACHINERY—One 3-section harrow, 1 John Deere corn planter, 2 walking cultivators, 14-inch stirring plow, single shovel plow, wagon, set 1½ inch harness, No. 2 Primrose cream separator, 2 8x10 brooder-houses, good as new! 2 good brooders.

HOUSEHOLD ARTICLES—All my household and kitchen furniture: Two 16-inch heating stoves, beds, dressers, dining room suite, and other articles too numerous to mention.

TERMS—Cash.

ELMER HORNBuckle

Bank of Pickering, Clerk.

BEARCATS ARE BACK TO WORK

EIGHTEEN COLLEGE BASKETEERS RESUME PRACTICE TODAY.

DAILY SCRIMMAGE NOW

Coach Lawrence Promises Several Games Before Opening of Conference Season in January.

Eighteen State Teachers College basketball players, fresh from a Christmas celebration at their homes, trekked back to Maryville today for a series of practices which will prepare them for the college cage season, due to open early next month.

Christmas was an abbreviated season for these players, who left Maryville last Wednesday night. While other students of the school are enjoying an additional week of freedom from their studies, the lads of the maple court will be passing and shooting and scrimmaging twice daily under the eagle eyes of H. Frank Lawrence and Paul Jones, college coaches.

The first of the practices was held at 2 o'clock this afternoon, when the Bearcat mentors sent their men through the lightest drill of the week. Respecting the fact that their charges had broken training to a certain extent over the Yuletide, the coaches made the practice this afternoon lighter than any other of the week will be. Beginning tomorrow morning the squad will "hit the ball" in earnest, and a daily scrimmage will be featured.

Coach Lawrence has not completed his schedule, but it is likely that before the week is over he will have booked all of his cage games. There are still several open dates, but letters are now out, and the director of athletics hopes to hear from them within a few days.

The Kirksville Teachers College team grabbed one plum for which Lawrence bid. When athletic relations between the University of Missouri and Washington University of St. Louis were severed not long ago, Lawrence wired for one of the dates left vacant on the Missouri basketball schedule, but C. L. Brewer, Tiger director, scheduled a game with the Kirksville team, coached by Don Pittor, former Missouri player.

Several non-conference games will be played before the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association schedule begins for the Bearcats late in January. Coach Lawrence indicates that there will be some attractive offerings on the card, but will not say what they are until he has the contracts signed.

Meanwhile the Bearcats will glow, perspire, and sweat.

Demand Grows for Boxing "Dictator"

New York, Dec. 27.—The newest baseball scandal has given impetus to the ever-recurrent demand for a boxing "dictator" whose duties would be similar to those of Commissioner K. M. Landis, czar of the diamond game.

Derelictions from copy-book conduct among fighters are more common than among ball players, according to most followers of the professional sport. And a cry for a thorough "airing out" of the prize ring has been gaining in volume and vehemence.

Difficulties in the way of immediate selection of a commissioner of boxing are obvious. Baseball was already an organized, interstate proposition before Judge Landis appeared to take the reins. But boxing is ruled over by state boards with hundreds of petty jealousies to deal with and the national association of the sport has thus far failed to function satisfactorily.

Attention of other states, however, is directed toward New York, which may soon turn to a one-man overseer of boxing.

Governor Smith is expected to abolish the present athletic commission and appoint a man who has the confidence of the fans and boxers alike to control ring activities in the state.

Says U. S. Is Losing Chinese Good Will

Failure To Continue Leadership In Fair Dealing Imperils \$1,000,000,000 Investment, Editor Asserts.

New York, Dec. 27.—America is losing the good will of the Chinese people, according to Grover Clark, editor of the Peking Leader, who told the United Press in an interview that it was conceivable that this loss might be aggravated to such an extent that the \$1,000,000,000 American investment in China might be jeopardized.

Clark is here on a vacation. He has spent nine years in the far East, seven of them in Peking, and six as editor of the Leader. He knows most of the

The Widow and the Accused



The widow and children of Don R. Mellet, murdered Canton (O.) editor, sat with tense faces in the Canton court when Pat McDermott, alleged slayer of the editor, took the witness stand in his own defense. Above are Mrs. Mellet and her daughters, Betty (left) and Martha, as they gazed at the defendant. The lower photo shows the expression with which McDermott met their eyes.

McDermott was found guilty of first degree murder, the jury reporting late Friday evening.

military, political and business leaders. Unless the American government acts promptly to regain the good will of China, he said, it may be too late.

"America has had Chinese good will," Clark said, "but she is losing it rapidly because she has not followed her earlier line of policy. Up to and including the Washington conference of 1921-22, the United States in the main took an active leadership in securing international fair dealing with China. Since that time, apparently, there has been a tendency to pay more attention to maintaining a superficial unity with the powers, even at the sacrifice of proper American leadership and feeling for justice, than to seeing that China got fair treatment and that American pledges to China were carried out. There also has been what seemed to many of us more attention to the technical legal points of the treaties than to the proper equities of the situation as it actually is today."

"From a purely selfish point of view although of course this is not the only consideration, America needs to keep Chinese good will. Americans have in the neighborhood of \$1,000,000,000 tied up in China in one way or another—business investments, debts due from the Chinese government, missionary property, schools, etc."

See Little Chance for Extra Session

Congressional Leaders Believe Necessary Bills Will Be Passed by March 4.

Washington, Dec. 27.—House leaders see little possibility of an extra session of Congress.

If the Senate disposes of the regular supply of bills as fast as the House sends them to the upper body, Majority Leader Tilson, of the House, believes Congress will be ready to adjourn about

a week before March 4.

Three bills have been sent to the Senate since Congress convened December 6, and two have been passed.

House leaders expect to complete consideration of all eleven money bills before January 20. After the Christmas recess, the navy, war, and commerce and labor bills will be reported.

While no definite program has been set in the House, leaders hold out little hope for enactment of a so-called farm relief bill. They will refuse to permit any measure to come up unless it is supported by the Agriculture committee and this appears doubtful. Several delegations are backing a reapportionment bill, but Tilson sees little chance of it coming up at this session.

Life Sentence for Dan Mellet Slayer

Canton, Ohio, Dec. 27.—Pat McDermott, charged with the assassination of Don R. Mellet, editor of the Canton Daily News, was found guilty by the jury here and sentenced to life imprisonment.

Special instructions to the jury, prepared by opposing counsel, then were presented for the court's consideration and indications were that the case would be in the hands of the jury late today. There will be no Christmas recess of court and a verdict is possible tomorrow.

The state completed its case after Judge E. W. Diehl refused to permit officials of York County, Pennsylvania to testify that McDermott had been a prisoner there.

The prosecution today recalled Steve Koschok, the informer. He denied that he had "framed" his friend, McDermott, or that he was in Canton the night of the murder. After an attempt to show that Mrs. Hattie Gearhart,

chief alibi witness for the defense had given different testimony before the grand jury, the state rested its case.

Defense attorneys closed their case after calling a handwriting expert to refute testimony of an expert yesterday that Ben Rudner had wired instructions to McDermott.

E. T. Swanson Writes of New Texas Oil City

Elmer T. Swanson, a former resident of Maryville, who has been spending the past three months in Barger, Texas, has written to the Democrat-Forum, telling something of this new oil town. Mr. Swanson, accompanied by Jim Martin, drove to Texas and have been doing carpenter work there. While in Maryville Mr. Swanson was treasurer of the Men's Bible Class of the First Christian Church. A portion of Mr. Swanson's letter follows:

"We arrived in Barger, October 24. This town is situated in the center of a newly discovered, and what has proven to be, one of the largest and richest oil fields in the country. The first buildings here were constructed last February with all material brought in by truck, wagon or auto, as there was no railroad in the town. Most all of the buildings are frame and form just the scaffolding for a modern city."

"More modern and substantial buildings are now going up and the Santa Fe ran its first train here ninety days ago. It now has about thirty miles of sidings and uses six engines here for switching. The output of oil from here is now about 300 carloads a day. The oil industry has made this town a city of 20,000 people. Most of the houses are small frame dwellings. Rents are high, a house 12x20 rents for \$40 a month unfurnished. Water is scarce, as it is supplied from local springs and sold for 75c a barrel. School and church services are being conducted in temporary buildings. Barger's first bank is to open within the next few days. I have been working steady here at the carpenter rate of \$1.00 an hour and construction seems to still be booming."

Robbers Held in Iowa Are Taken to Texas

Man Arrested at Coin Turned Over to Texas Sheriff Disappearance Of Loot Explained.

Clarinda, Ia., Dec. 27.—Disappearance of \$2,000 of the more than \$7,000 loot obtained by three young men who robbed the Odell, Texas, bank December 18, has been explained, and three men charged with committing the robbery, today were on their way to Texas.

James Hairston, who has been held in the Clarinda jail since his arrest last Tuesday, in Coin, was turned over to Sheriff Frank Edmonson of Wilbarger county, Texas, who arrived here Saturday from Nebraska City, Neb., where he took into custody Clyde Stratton of Coin, Iowa, and Lyter Hoffman of Wichita, Kan., Hairston's alleged companion in the robbery.

Harrison confessed to Deputy Sheriff Earl Downing that the \$2,000 he at first said he had thrown away on the way from Nebraska City to Clarinda preceding his arrest here, was hidden at the Stratton home in Coin. He said he left the money there in a half gallon fruit jar hidden in the house under a pile of coils, later to be buried by Clyde Stratton's father.

The money was recovered.

Read the Want Ads.

Bell Grove Has Christmas Tree

Santa Distributes Gifts After Program By Children of the School.

The pupils of the Bell Grove School gave a Christmas program at the schoolhouse Thursday evening Dec. 23. The school room was attractively decorated with evergreens, bittersweet, bells and other Christmas suggestions made by the children.

After the program Santa made a short visit to help deliver the Christmas packages from the tree, which had been decorated by the children. Refreshments of candy and pop-corn were served.

The following program was given: Song, "Silent Night."

A Christmas Welcome, Donald Maffitt.

"Santa's Little Son," Eugene Schooler.

"A Christmas Surprise," Genevieve Barrow, Marie Schooler and Thelma Kime.

"A Ride With Santa," Harvey Nielsen.

"The Joy of Receiving," Lawrence Jackson and Marie Schooler.

"Christmas Bells," Mary Ellen Howard.

"Jimmie's Thoughtfulness," Nina and Chester Kime, Alfred Isom.

Song, Christmas Carol.

"A Letter To Santa," Jimmie.

"No Christmas In This House," Genevieve Barrow, Nina Kime, Thelma Kime, Lawrence Jackson, Chester Kime, George Nielsen.

"Betty's Stocking," Marie Schooler.

Monologue, "Christmas Shopping," Delmer Schooler.

"The Schemer," Fred Schooler.

"Santa's Visit," Thelma Kime.

Mr. and Mrs. Cole Viesley of Worth, Mo., announce the birth of a daughter yesterday. Mrs. Viesley was formerly Miss Pearl Davison of Barnard.

Paul Kuchs Better. Paul Kuchs of the Kuchs Brothers Jewelry store, was resting easier today at the home of his parents, after suffering greatly when a tooth was extracted. He has been handicapped of late with a severe case of the flu.

Virgil Lyle of Omaha and Aubrey Lyle of Topeka, Kan., who spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lyle, left today for their homes.

Mr. and Mrs. George Garrett and Frank Cook spent Christmas with their mother and sister, Mrs. Lena Cook and

Mrs. W. H. Bunker, at Omaha. Misses Gladys and Merle Ford, Mrs. J. S. Ford, Miss Bernice McFarland and Miss Lois Cummings motored to St. Joseph yesterday to attend "Ben Hur."

Marriage Licenses. Two licenses were issued Friday by the recorder to Donnis Hood and Opal Pauline Loch of Pickering; and Wayland Richards and Lota Clare Landfather of Maryville.

John W. Ivey and Helen Marrs, of Tarkio, Mo. Weber P. McMillen and Blanche Pierpoint, of Maryville, Mo.

The Missouri Theatre

THE PLAYHOUSE OF DISTINCTION Shows 7:30 and 9:00 Adults 25c-35c Children 10c



Last Time TONIGHT—Doris Kenyon, Loyd Hughes and Louise Fazenda. The funniest show in years. Ask anybody. Only three days to marry or lose \$6,000,000. Comedy, Much Mystery, Kinograms. Travis Nesbit doubling at the piano and console.

Tuesday and Wednesday



Mary Astor in one of her greatest stage successes. Thrills of a Harvard Yale game. Main Street Theatre, Kansas City, is playing this picture all this week. Comedy, "WHO'S MY WIFE," Felix. "Reverse English."

TOWNSENDS

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"A GOOD PLACE TO SAVE."

Tuesday and Wednesday

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20c tall tins
finest Pink
SALMON
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50 lb cans **14 1/2c** lb
at...
1 lb cartons packed
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Top Grade, **47c**
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Morrell's Lean Streaked
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at old time prices
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Direct Eastern shipments arriving
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Extra Selects, **\$3.10** Pint **45c**
gallon...
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gallon...
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Seasoned just right.
Made only from choice Nodaway Co.
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Order some and taste its Goodness.

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Good size, smooth and
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Large or small
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CHANNEL CAT FISH
Fresh
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DEL MONTE PEACHES
The big cans Yellow
Frees only. **25c**

2c cartons Cream of Wheat or
Wheatena... 20c
20c cartons Post Toasties for... 15c
Pillsbury's Health Bran, big cartons... 15c
1/2 lb Chases' Buster Brown
Chocolate Creams... 13c
1/2 lb Dandy Chocolate Creams... 11c
1/2 lb Star Brand Chocolate Creams... 9c

10c bars Fels Naptha Soap... 2 for 15c
Four for... 25c
10c bars Ivory Soap... 2 for 15c, 4 for 25c
25c carton Ivory Soap Flakes for... 20c
30c carton Gold Dust for... 26c
30c carton Sea Foam Washing
Powder for... 22c
Fresh Fig Bars, per pound... 12c

Bread

We sell an awful lot of bread.
Must be good—and our price
right. Any kind, whole
wheat, graham or white. It's
always fresh if you get it
here. **3** big loaves **25c**

Dromedary Brand
Dates, 25c carton for **18c**

Monogram Brand
Dates, 15c cartons for **10c**

Bulk Dates, new
goods, per sack **10c**

HONEY—Comb Honey,
per frame **15c** Case of 24
frames **\$3.50**

Quality Meats

at Our MARKET

LAMB SHOULDER **20c**
ROAST, lb

LAMB CHOPS, **30c**
lb

PORK SHOULDER **24c**
ROAST, lb

WIENERS, **22c**
lb

PRIDES BRAND STRICTLY PURE PRESERVES
Packed in State of Washing-
ton. Gallon cans (8 1/2 lbs
each) Peach or **\$1.00**
Apricot **\$1.25**
Gallon cans (8 1/2 lbs each)
Raspberry **\$1.25**
Made of pure fruit
and granulated sugar.

Flour

18 lb sack Economy Flour—
\$1.75 Cwt. **\$3.45**

48 lb sack Fancy Cream
High Patent
\$1.85 Cwt. **\$3.65**

Wisconsin SWEET PEAS
Small Peas; large cans
15c Dozen **\$1.60**

Wisconsin Sweet Peas, med-
ium size. Large cans, **25c**
two for **\$1.35** doz.

BUHLER'S

Hanamo 750 TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY Farmers 201

Pure fruit preserves, cherry, strawberry, raspberry, 16 oz. glass jars, 3 for... 89c	Syrup, dark Kamo brand, gallon... 50c 1/2 gallon... 25c	Prunes, Sunsweet, 1 lb cartons, large fruit... 20c	Navy Beans, hand picked, Michigans, 4 pounds... 30c
Potatoes, good northern table stock, peck... 50c	Butter Nut Pan cake flour, all wheat, self-rising, 4 lb sack 40c 20 oz. pkgs. 15c	Kamo Oats, large pkg. Quick or plain... 20c	Smoked Salt, 10 lb cans... 85c
Economy in gallon Fruits. These are all extra standard and solid pack. Loganberries... 85c Yellow Free Peaches... 65c Apricots... 70c Red Pitted Cherries... \$1.25	Head Lettuce... 15c Celery... 20c Cauliflower, lb... 20c Cucumbers, each... 15c New Carrots, bunch... 10c Fresh Spinach, lb... 20c Parsnips, lb... 5c Leaf Lettuce, lb... 35c Sweet Potatoes, 4 lbs... 25c Oranges, dozen... 30c and 60c California Grapes, lb... 25c Hickory Nuts, peck... 65c	Philadelphia Cheese, carton... 15c Rofquort Cheese, lb... 65c Fresh Side Pork, lb... 25c Spare Ribs, lb... 22c Flank Steaks, lb... 25c Spring Lamb.	Sliced Pineapple, No. 2 1/2 cans packed in syrup... 30c For the small family No. 1 cans peaches, apricots... 10c White Cherries, Bartlett Pears and fruit salad... 15c Dromedary Smyrna Figs in heavy syrup... 35c Silver Nut, no better butter substitute made, lb... 25c For Wednesday—Fresh Brains, Brookfield sausages, Pork Hearts, Veal Sweet Breads, Pork Tenderloins.
Corn Meal, 10 lb sack... 25c Graham Flour, 5 lb sack... 35c	Link Sausages, lb 30c Brick Chili, 1 lb brick... 25c		